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SIREN TESTS

Tests of a siren to be used in emergency will be carried out in the Central district on Friday about 11 a.m., according to a notice from Police Headquarters.
It is proposed to make similar tests on subsequent dates at the same time.

NAVAL TRAGEDY

Ship Ordered To Hong Kong

H.M.S. Dorsetshire, after having spent some time in Singapore and Australia, is expected to arrive in Hong Kong on May 28.
She will remain in Hong Kong only a few days before going north to the summer station at Weihaiwei.
We were informed by the Naval Authorities last night that the Dorsetshire has been ordered to return direct to Hong Kong in order that an investigation might be held into the death of a seaman who was found dead from a gunshot wound.

THE DOLLAR

T.T. ON NEW YORK: 302.
T.T. ON LONDON: 1s. 2.13/16d.

London Silver Market
(Our Own Correspondent).

London, May 9.
London silver prices today were unchanged as follows:—

Spot	May 7.	May 9.
Forward	18-11/16	18-11/16
	18-7/16	18-7/16

More Publicity Should Be Given To The Eugenics League

POOR ATTENDANCES AT CLINIC

The importance of the public knowing more about the work of the League was stressed by Mrs. F. S. Selwyn-Clarke at the annual general meeting of the Hong Kong Eugenics League yesterday afternoon.

At present there were poor attendances at the clinic, said Mrs. Selwyn-Clarke, but the League was financially sound and needed more patients.

More publicity should be given, she added.

HEAVY RAINS IN LISBON

Lisbon, May 9.
Heavy rains during the last few days have resulted in the lower lying parts of Lisbon being flooded. In some places the water has risen to the ceiling of the first floor.
Yesterday, lightning struck a cinema in Villa Franca killing four musicians and injuring seven seriously. (Transocean).

MARTIAL LAW IN SHANGHAI FOR FOUR HOURS

While Prince Chichibu sails Down River

Shanghai, May 9.
Martial law was enforced by the Japanese naval authorities for four hours today when Prince Chichibu sailed down the river past the French Concession and International Settlement aboard the steam tug, Kinyo Maru.

The Prince, who was accompanied by high Japanese naval officials, has been making a tour of inspection up-river and was returning to the Japanese occupied section of the Settlement.

During the period of martial law, which was imposed between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., all Chinese river craft were vigorously kept to the banks while the river police were alert, ready to check any signs of disturbance.

At the same time, British and other foreign warships in harbour restricted the liberty of their personnel.

Prince Chichibu arrived in Shanghai by air on May 4. (Reuters).

TIN COMMITTEE MEETING

London, May 9.
Well-informed tin circles in London profess to have good reason to believe that the Malayan delegation to the International Committee will reopen, at the meeting on June 2, the question of revision of standard tonnages. (Reuters).

CHINESE CROSS GREAT WALL INTO CHINA PROPER

Latest Aids Against Air Raids



NEW GERMAN WEAPONS have been installed by the Chinese at Hankow to cope with the Japanese air raids. A range finder for anti-aircraft guns is shown on the left and big sound detectors on the right.

MOBILE COLUMN IS NOW ATTACKING CHENGPING, TWENTY-TWO MILES NORTH-WEST OF PEIPING

Fighting Reported Near Tientsin

HANKOW, MAY 9.
A CHINESE MOBILE COLUMN FROM CHAHAR HAS CROSSED THE GREAT WALL INTO CHINA PROPER, AND IS AT PRESENT ATTACKING CHENGPING, ON THE PEIPING-SUIYUAN RAILWAY, ONLY TWENTY-TWO MILES NORTH-WEST OF PEIPING, ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL CHINESE REPORTS.

THE COLUMN IN QUESTION, WHICH HAS BEEN OPERATING IN THE REGION WHERE THE BORDER OF SHANSI AND CHAHAR MEET, IS STATED TO HAVE OCCUPIED CHENGLUNGCHIAO ON MAY 4. FROM THERE THEY ADVANCED IN THE DIRECTION OF CHANGPING TO WHICH IT HAS NOW LAID SEIGE.

ANOTHER CHINESE MOBILE COLUMN IS OFFICIALLY REPORTED TO BE ATTACKING THE TOWN OF YANGLUCHING, ON THE TIENTSIN-PUKOW RAILWAY, ONLY NINE MILES TO THE WEST OF TIENTSIN.

A THIRD COLUMN IS STATED TO HAVE OCCUPIED SHACHEN AND HSIAHUATUAN AND TO BE ATTACKING HSUANHUA, BELOW THE GREAT WALL, 80 MILES EAST-NORTH-EAST OF PEIPING.

Fierce Fighting Rages East Of Mengcheng

JAPANESE ATTACKS REPULSED

LUAN, MAY 9.
PIERCE FIGHTING BETWEEN CHINESE AND JAPANESE TROOPS has been raging during the last twenty-four hours in the vicinity of Changpaying, to the east of Mengcheng, in north Anhwei.
Making a determined stand on the sweeping shores of the Ko River, the Chinese defenders repulsed repeated Japanese thrusts and are holding the invaders at bay.

Towards midnight last night, the Japanese troops made a determined bid for Changpaying, but met with stubborn resistance from the Chinese defenders, who finally repulsed the invaders with heavy losses.

Several hundred Japanese troops, it is estimated, were killed or wounded in the heavy encounter which lasted for several hours early this morning.

In their determined resistance against the Japanese onslaughts, the Chinese troops also suffered heavy losses. Maj-General Tang Ho-yi, brigadier commander of the Chinese force, was seriously injured by flying shrapnel but continued to lead his men in fighting the invaders.

Early this morning, 200 Japanese troops appeared at Shihlipu, a small village a few miles east of Mengcheng, and were immediately challenged by the Chinese forces.

In the heated encounter which ensued, the Japanese were defeated and driven back to Lungkanrtal after an hour's fighting.

Several straggled units of Japanese troops are now locked in a hot engagement with the Chinese forces holding Tsingling. (Central News).

QUEEN MARY BUYS TWO PICTURES

London, May 9.
Queen Mary bought two pictures at the Royal Academy Summer Exhibition, one of the Coronation Procession passing Trafalgar Square and the other a flower scene. (Reuters Bulletin).

British Steamer Lost In Atlantic

LAST HEARD OF ON MARCH 14 OFF AZORES

WAS EN ROUTE TO VANCOUVER IN BALLAST

London, May 9.
The British steamer, Anglo Australian, with a crew of 38 aboard, is presumed to have been lost in the Atlantic. The vessel was en route to Vancouver from Cardiff in ballast and was last heard of off the Azores on March 14. (Reuters Bulletin).

The London cargo steamer Anglo Australian, 5,456 tons, left Cardiff on March 8 for Vancouver in ballast, says the Daily Telegraph.

The Anglo Australian, commanded by Capt. Farlow, of London, and carrying 38 aboard, signed on at various home ports, should have entered the Panama Canal towards the end of April. (Continued on Back Page)

DRIVE NORTH

The Chinese admit that advances have been made by Japanese columns striking towards the Lunghai Railway from the south. Japanese troops operating north-west across the country from Pengpu reached the north gate of Nanchen, forty-five miles north-west of Pengpu, about noon today according to Chinese reports.

The intention of these troops, evidently, is to push on to Pochow (Potsien), just south of Anhwei, on the Honan border. From there they will drive north and try to cut the Lunghai Railway at Kwel-tien, which is about 100 miles west of Hsuehchow.

Fighting is now taking place as the Chinese are preventing the Japanese from capturing Mengchen.

A Japanese column, advancing northward near the Kiangsu coast, is also making progress. After occupying Fuling, the Japanese sent a detachment westward in the direction of Tientsin. Its objective is believed to be Hwatyung, on the Grand Canal. (Reuters).

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Compulsory Eviction

First Since Rents Report

The first execution of a warrant of eviction made since the publication of the Rent Commission's Report was carried out yesterday when the Wing Cheong firm, occupying No. 311 Des Voeux Road Central, ground floor, were evicted by the head bailiff of the Supreme Court.

Soviet Navy Building Big Ships

Shanghai, May 9.
That the Soviet submarine flotilla at Vladivostok outnumbers those of other countries was admitted by Lieutenant Zenich Okasaki, Naval Attache at the Japanese Embassy in Moscow, who returned to Japan, according to a Tokyo report.

"The Soviet navy, influenced by the British and American invocations of the escalator clause, is inclined to build large capital ships," he said.

"The completion of the Murmansk fort along the Arctic coast has apparently changed the naval operations in the Arctic."

"Lieut. Okasaki noticed considerable O.G.P.U. agents in Siberia engaged in counter-espionage work." (International).

Generalissimo Expects Protracted And Bitter Struggle

JAPANESE MORALE DETERIORATING

LONDON, MAY 9.
APPREHENSION THAT BRITISH INTERESTS IN CHINA might suffer through a Chinese victory were emphatically contradicted by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek when interviewed by The Times special correspondent at Hankow.

Foreign investments were not only welcome but essential to China for many years to come, declared the Generalissimo.
DISCUSSING THE WAR, THE CHINESE LEADER refused to count his chickens before they were hatched. He expected a protracted and bitter struggle, but implied that the situation gives the Chinese grounds for cautious optimism.

Like other Northern leaders interviewed by The Times correspondent, Marshal Chiang particularly drew attention to the deterioration of Japanese morale and cited the usually reliable Chinese intelligence reports of daily suicides among the Japanese troops.

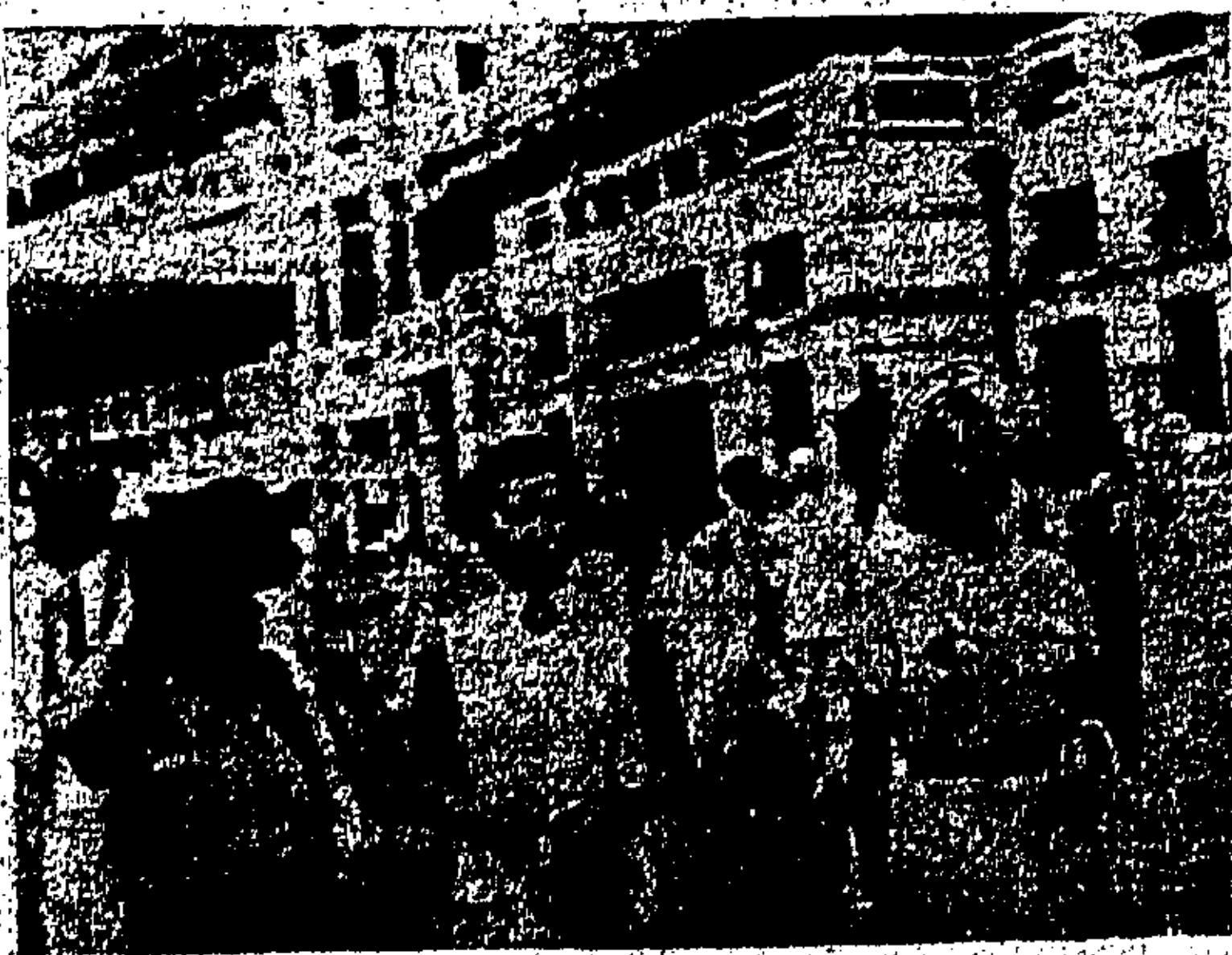
In an editorial, The Times says that the Japanese are clearly encountering the greatest difficulties from the invaders, drove them from all of France except Calais. (Reuters).

AT THE VALLEY RACES



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DANCE HOSTESS STATES SHE WAS DECEIVED

Versions Differ In Breach Of Contract Claim

A story differing in vital particulars from that alleged by the plaintiff was told by Hung Kook-lan, dance hostess, when she gave evidence before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindell in Summary Court yesterday in the case in which the Emporium Ballroom are claiming \$600 liquidated damages for breach of contract against her.

The plaintiff alleged that by a contract dated March 14 defendant agreed to work for them for one month at a salary of \$100. This she did not do, going, instead to the Capitol. One of the clauses in the alleged contract provided that she should have to pay \$20 a day liquidated damages for this breach.

Yesterday defendant said in the witness-box that she had agreed to work for the plaintiff at a salary of \$150 per month. She added that she had gone to the Capitol because Mr. Fung Siu-tung, manager of the Emporium, had deceived her and she would not work for anyone who deceived her.

Plaintiff was represented by Mr. H. L. Kwan, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, while Mr. M. A. de Silva is for the defence.

The case was again adjourned, till May 28.

At the outset of yesterday's proceedings Mr. Silva continued his cross-examination of Mr. Fung, who had given his evidence-in-chief at the first hearing on April 26. In this he had said that it was the invariable practice of cabarets to advertise a good performer, like defendant, two or three days before she was due to appear. He met defendant on March 18 and told her he would advertise her appearance the following day, which he did.

Mr. Silva: If your story that defendant agreed to start work on March 14, is true, why didn't you publish an advertisement two or three days before that?—On March 13 I communicated with the advertising company but nobody came until the following evening, when it was too late.

In answer to further questions, Fung stated that there was a big board outside the Ballroom, on which photos of the "stars" were displayed. The reason why defendant's was not posted up on March 13 or 14 was because she did not supply him with one.

Did you threaten her with a lawsuit on March 18 if she refused to work for you?—Why should I, since she agreed to rejoin us on the following day.

PLAINTIFF REBUKED

But in your evidence-in-chief you said she refused?—I did not. His Lordship, after looking over his notes, said that Fung did say it. When Fung again insisted that he did not, His Lordship exclaimed: "You are either a fool or a liar. I don't know which at present." Fung then explained that it was after March 18 that defendant told him she would not come. He did tell her he would take action if she refused, but did not mention the amount of damages.

His Lordship: Do I gather then that on March 18, at the Capitol, defendant agreed to go back and work for you?—Yes.

Then why didn't you say so the last time?—I was not asked whether or not she agreed to go back and work on that date.

"Don't talk such nonsense. You should be ashamed of yourself. When, then, did defendant make the statement that she was getting better pay at the Capitol and was going to work here?—At the Capitol."

Kwan Pak-yip, accountant of the Emporium Ballroom, testified to having accompanied Fung to the Hotel Cecil where they saw defendant. Fung took with him two contract forms, the blanks of which he filled with the exception of the date and terms. These were filled by defendant, who made a line or dash, and then signed the forms.

In answer to Mr. Silva, witness said Fung filled the forms before handing them to defendant. Between February 25 and March 10 defendant danced quite often in the Emporium and appeared to be in perfect health. She told him, however, she was not feeling well when they met on February 28.

\$1,000 IN FIVE HOURS

Though the scale of earnings was \$10 an hour, defendant had brought in over \$1,000 in five hours. This was when patrons bought more tickets in order to gain her favour.

Re-examined, witness said that on the average defendant earned at least \$30 a night, of which half she went to the Emporium. The occasion she brought in over \$1,000 was when she was elected Queen of the Emporium sometime in May last year, and a patron gave her \$1,000 worth of tickets.

DEFENDANT'S STORY

Mr. Silva then put his client in the witness-stand.

There defendant said she had been working for four or five years as a dancing partner and, except for her recent employment, had been employed in Hong Kong with the Emporium Ballroom.

She had started at \$30 a month, with 50 per cent of the tickets, which was increased with each contract until the last one last year, which had specified salary at \$100 a month.

Coming to the meeting at the Hotel Cecil at which the alleged contract had been signed, Hung said a friend of hers, a Miss Mary Chu, had also been present, as well as Mr. Fung and a Mr. Kwan who had gone with Mr. Fung. Mr. Fung had asked her to go and work for him at the Emporium, to which she had replied with a request for a salary of \$150 per month besides the usual commission. He did not agree right away and asked her to work on the same terms as before, that is, for \$100 a month.

This defendant refused, and after considering for a while Mr. Fung agreed to her terms. The period was for one month, for though Mr. Fung had suggested two or three months, she had refused.

"At the time I signed the contracts in the Hotel Cecil," defendant went on, "the blanks were not filled in. I filled in one blank myself signifying that the period was for one month."

"I went to the Emporium after two or three days and asked Fung for my copy of the agreement. He said it was not yet stamped, nor signed, nor had the blanks been filled in. He did not produce the contract, although I ask for it. He only said my wages were to be \$100 and I had to work for three months."

"I said I would not work on those terms and he replied it was up to me, but he would not pay me any more than \$100."

WENT TO CAPITOL

Continuing, defendant said that after several more interviews with Mr. Fung, she sought employment elsewhere and on March 19 started work at the Capitol. She had told Mr. Fung she was going there and when he asked why, she had replied it was because he had deceived her. Mr. Fung had then threatened to sue her. She worked at the Capitol for \$25 less because she would rather have less than work under someone who had deceived her.

On March 20, while she was visiting a friend, she again met Mr. Fung who told her he was going to sue her for damages of \$1,000. On March 21 she received a letter of demand from his solicitors.

During the first month that she worked at the Capitol the total value of tickets taken in by her was \$700. In the last month of her employment at the Emporium last year she had earned between \$500 and \$600.

"DON'T TELL STUPID LIES"

When, under cross-examination by Mr. Kwan, defendant said that besides her name she could not read or write one more letter, His Lordship rebuked her: "You mean you can't read one single character? Don't tell stupid lies."

Defendant: I mean I can read only very ordinary letters.

His Lordship: Well, be honest about it.

In reply to another question by Mr. Kwan, defendant said she could, in addition to her name, write only a stroke or two.

His Lordship: Although you can write your signature so nicely.

Defendant: This is the only thing I can write.

His Lordship I don't believe it. Anyone who can write a signature like that can write ordinary writing.

Later Mr. Kwan put it to her that she had not asked for \$100 as salary, but \$100 actual wages, and \$50 for board and lodging. This defendant denied, insisting that she had asked the \$150 as salary alone.

The hearing was adjourned at this stage.

BRITISH SOLDIER SENT TO GAOL

Received Stolen Bottle Of Whisky

BURGLARY CHARGE DENIED

Private David Fleming, of the Royal Scots, was sentenced to two months' hard labour when he pleaded guilty to a charge of receiving a stolen bottle of whisky, before Mr. R. E. Butters at the Central Magistracy yesterday.

Defendant denied charges of the theft of the bottle and burglary.

Sub-Inspector W. N. Darkin requested his Worship to take a serious view, remarking that people like defendant were taking advantage of shop-keepers, and added that a lesson must be taught.

It was alleged that about 2 a.m. on May 8 the chief waiter of the Neptune Cafe, of 112 Gloucester Road, saw two soldiers standing on the roof of the premises. They jumped from the roof into the backyard, and then went into the alleyway.

The defendant was arrested but evidence was insufficient to prove that he was one of the two soldiers who were seen on the roof.

DOOR BROKEN

The bottle of whisky was stolen from the wine cellar of the Neptune Cafe, where the door was broken open. The defendant was alleged to be one of a few persons who waited outside the Cafe to receive the liquor passed on to them by a confederate.

Pte. Hugh Kilpatrick, of the Royal Scots, was charged with burglary. He pleaded not guilty and said that he had only been in the Cafe for a short while.

Defendant was alleged to have entered the Cafe three times on the night of May 7 and was alleged to have been the man who had broken the lock to the wine cellar where the bottles of whisky and brandy were stolen.

Defendant, in evidence, said that he had spent his evening in another bar, and with the exception of a very short period in the Cafe, he had passed his time in the Queen's Dancing Hall, remaining till 1 a.m.

He wished to call witnesses and the hearing was adjourned till today.

HANDBAG SNATCHER SENTENCED

While walking along Nathan Road on May 8 about 8.10 p.m., Miss De Ybarrola, of No. 28 Carnarvon Road, had her handbag snatched by a young Chinese. As a sequel to this, Tsui Yau-kat, 26, was charged with the offence before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett yesterday at the Kowloon Court and was sentenced to three months' hard labour and also ordered to be sent back to Canton on completion of sentence.

Defendant was chased and caught by Mr. C. D'Almada, who heard Miss Ybarrola's alarm. The total value of the bag and contents was about \$15.

PORTUGUESE YOUTH TO BE TRIED AT SESSIONS

Alleged Assault In Shatin On Taxi-driver

"The only thing that I want to say is that I never struck the driver," said Albert Joseph Maria Xavier, 17, of No. 15 Nga Tsai Long Road, when he appeared on remand before Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at the Kowloon Court yesterday on charges of assaulting with intent to rob and common assault.

It was alleged that on April 28 near Sheung Wo Che village defendant, with another not in custody, struck a taxi-driver, Leung Cheung.

Defendant, in a statement said that when they arrived in Shatin his friend asked the driver to blow down so that he could look for a friend. His friend then went out for a while to a shop nearby.

"On his return he sat next to me and asked me to assault the driver by the throat, so that he may assault the driver. I told him I care not. He then started talking to me. All of a sudden, he got up from the seat and struck the driver. After that he opened the door, leaving me behind. I received a blow from the driver and we struggled together. As a saw that I was free I opened the door and ran away too."

SHIP STRANDED

A naval message from Swatow states that the s.s. Strumchin, which was driven ashore during the gale of Wednesday, May 4, remains stranded in the harbour.

H.K. POLICE RESERVE

CHINESE COMPANY

Training Course—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Chinese Company, will attend Chinese Company Headquarters for Part II of Training Course on Tuesday, May 10 at 17.15 hours:—Constables R72 Fong Hing, R82 Stern Ho, R90 Yuen Sui Tang, R94 Lau Hung Kam, R81 Yu Shiu Tung, R89 Hung Woon Man, R75 J. Anthony Yim, and R83 Shiu Hung Yuen.

INDIAN COMPANY

Strength. The following members have been permitted to resign from the Indian Company, as from May 2, 1938:—Crown Sergeant R204 A. Karim; Constables R208 Mohamed Khan and R237 Nur Ahmed.

Training Course—Part II. The undermentioned members of the Indian Company have qualified in Part II of Training Course (Knowledge of Police Regulation and Duties):—Constables R215 Feroz Khan, R297 Karam Khan, R211 S. Aras, R242 A. Aziz, R221 Hakim Ali, R223 Firdos Khan, R219 Nur Ahmed, and R279 Mir Wali Khan.

EMERGENCY UNIT RESERVE
Patrol Duties. All members of the E.U.R. will report for duty at their stations at 19.45 hours on Friday, May 20, 1938. Dress—Khaki Uniform, Cap with no cover, Belt with Straps, Trunk-ions, and Revolvers to be carried.

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Hong Kong, May 9, 1938.

MANAGER TO STAND TRIAL

Before Mr. Butters at the Central Magistracy yesterday, U Chan-jong, manager of the Torbor & Company, was committed for trial on 32 charges of forgery and obtaining money by false pretences.

U Chan-jong was represented by Mr. C. d'Almada and Mr. E. H. Williams, Assistant Attorney General, was for the prosecution, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector W. Ritchie.

BANK CLERKS GAOLED FOR THEFT

(BY AIR MAIL.)

Two clerks employed by the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Gracechurch street, E.C., Eric John Alleyne, aged 34, of Arcade House, Temple Fortune, Golders Green, N.W., and Alexander Robertson Meldrum, aged 34, of Sotheby-road, High-bury, N., pleaded guilty at the Mansion House Police Court today to stealing money from the bank and were each sentenced to three months' imprisonment in the second division.

Mr. John Maude, prosecuting, said Alleyne had been employed by the bank for 15 years. His defalcations, which extended over a period of three years, amounted to £1812.

Meldrum, on March 22, took £84 from the till and bolted. He had had just over £2500 in eight months.

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ROMANTIC HISTORY OF CHINA'S GRAND CANAL

ONCE SERVED EMPERORS WHIM, NOW USEFUL AS BARRIER TO JAPAN'S MARCH

The sanguinary battles in southern Shantung particularly the one recently fought at Talerchwang, have brought into the limelight China's 1,000-mile-long Grand Canal, which is one of the earliest and, in many respects, one of the greatest pieces of engineering work ever accomplished anywhere in the world.

Known as the "longest canal in existence," the Grand Canal was built in sections and enlarged from time to time. The beginnings were made in 540 B.C. Today it flows north to south from Tungchow, in the neighbourhood of Peking, via Tientsin and Chinkiang, near Nanking, until it reaches Hangchow, the famous lakeside city now overrun by the Japanese invaders.

In Chinese the canal is called the Yun-ho, meaning "transport river." In the older days it was named Yunhsing-ho, or the "tribute-bearing river." Until the end of the 19th century, it was a principal inland waterway whereby surplus food supplies in the southern provinces were sent northward to replenish the imperial granaries in the North.

At least two famous Chinese emperors figured in the history of the Grand Canal. The first one was Yang-ti of the Shui Dynasty (500-520 A.D.). Yang-ti, an intelligent ruler, lived between 505-518 A.D. He reached the throne through paricide and through the murder of his elder brother.

VIOLENT TEMPER
A man of violent temper Yang-ti gave himself to extravagance and debauchery. He squandered immense sums in his palace and pleasure grounds. After having moved his capital from Changan, now Sian in Shensi, to Loyang in western Honan, he ordered an extension of the system of canals then existing from the Yellow River to the Yangtze.

According to the popular version, Yang-ti's order was not prompted by the desire to improve water communication between various parts of his empire. Instead, he did it entirely out of a selfish motive. Once he heard that the city of Yangchow on the Yangtze, near present-day Nanking, had two unusual attractions, namely, the beauty of his women and the growth of an indescribably magnificent and fragrant flower called 'chun', which blossomed only once in many years.

EMPEROR'S FLIRTATIONS
The twofold temptation was too strong for Yang-ti to resist. However, he disliked travelling overland because while on the way he would have been compelled to remain idle insofar as his flirtation with his hosts of imperial consorts and concubines was concerned.

Some one at his court suggested that the numerous canals between the Yellow River and the Yangtze be linked up so that Yangchow could be reached by boat. The suggestion was accepted, whereby thousands upon thousands of labourers were pressed into the task and an untold amount of money was expended. Finally the people revolted against the crushing levies both in men and money.

TANG DYNASTY
At the head of the revolting forces was Li Yuen, one of Yang-ti's ablest generals. After repeated defeats, Yang-ti fled to Yangchow, which by that time had been converted into a splendid pleasure-place. In 618 A.D. he was assassinated. Two years later, the House of Shui collapsed in favour of Li Yuen and the latter's son Li Shih-ming, founders of the great Tang Dynasty which ruled from 620 to 907 A.D.

The second emperor who played an important part in the construction of the Grand Canal was Shitsu of the Yuan Dynasty (1280-1368 A.D.). Better known as Kublai Khan, Shitsu was really an alien ruler. His court (1280-1295 A.D.) was magnificent. After having settled down in Peking, now Peking, and made it his capital, Kublai Khan reconstructed the Grand Canal, then known as the

Imperial Canal, so as to facilitate the transportation of food supplies from the fertile provinces in the South to those in the North.

It was Kublai Khan who sent a naval armada of 4,400 ships and 140,000 men to subdue Japan. A sudden storm, however, sank most of his warships. Thus was saved Japan, which at that time was certainly not strong enough to repulse the Mongols. It was also during Kublai Khan's reign that Marco Polo, the great Venetian traveller, visited China and resided in this country for seventeen years.

IN PRE-RAILWAY DAYS
In the pre-railway days, successful participants in provincial tests proceeded to Peking for the imperial examination by sailing on the Grand Canal. Many stories, both serious and romantic, had been written about these youthful aspirants for official posts during their voyage northward on the Canal. Their favourite rendezvous naturally was Yangchow which, until the turn of the present century, boasted of having the most charming girls in the country.

SKIRTS MANY CITIES
Talerchwang, in southern Shantung, where the Chinese scored a big victory over the Japanese invading army on April 7, stands on the northern bank of the Grand Canal, which crosses the Yellow River at Acheng, in southern Shantung, and the mighty Yangtze at Yangchow and Chinkiang.

All the way down from Tungchow east of Peking to Hangchow on the Chientang River in Chekiang, the Grand Canal skirts a number of cities. Among them may be mentioned Tientsin, Tangchow, Techow, Taining, Hangchow, Tcherwang, Yangchow, Chinkiang, Soochow and Kashing. Practically every one of them has been mentioned one time or another in news dispatches as having been centres of hostilities since last year.

The completion of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway in 1912, which runs parallel to it in a general north to south direction, has deprived the Grand Canal of much of its early importance and prosperity. Though neglected and forgotten for the past many years, the Grand Canal has come back to its own by providing a natural barrier at many places for the gallant Chinese forces.

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NEWS ABOUT THE SERVICES

ROYAL NAVY

DUTY IN THE SIGNAL DEPARTMENT

Commander F. Berthold Toura, promoted in the New Year list, joined the staff of the Signal Department at the Admiralty on April 25 for duty in succession to Lieutenant-Commander A. S. V. Yates. The staff of this department is to be increased from 14 to 17 during the coming year.

H.M.S. GALATEA

The cruiser Galatea, which returned to Devonport on April 7, will recommission about June 7 for further service as flagship of the Red Admiral Commanding the Mediterranean Destroyer Flotilla. Captain G. L. Warren who has commanded her since July, 1935, will be succeeded by Captain E. G. H. Bellars, from the Tactical Division, Admiralty.

CRUISE OF THE THANET

The destroyer Thanet, Lieutenant-Commander R. C. M. White, after being docked at Malta, has resumed her voyage to China, where she is to join the Local Defence Flotilla at Hong Kong. She should be at Colombo from May 10 to 13, Penang from May 19 to 21, Singapore from May 22 to 26, and Hong Kong on May 31.

NEW WARRANT ENGINEERS

The following ratings will be promoted to acting warrant engineer or acting warrant mechanic, to date July 1, 1938, subject to their being physically fit and to their conduct and ability continuing to be satisfactory. They will be appointed to a divisional course beginning on July 25:—
W. F. P. Walter, F. W. C. Hall, W. L. Davis, J. H. Bignell, W. G. Hunt, J. D. Reid, A. J. Campbell, A. G. W. Stokes, A. C. Meizles, E. Whitbread, S. Smith, F. H. Rickard, E. A. May, and C. E. P. Simpson.

SICK BERTH MEDAL

The sick berth petty officers' efficiency medal for 1938 has been awarded to Sick Berth P.O. Albert E. H. Langford, of the Portsmouth port division, Sick berth petty officers of the Devonport division may be recommended for the award of the medal for 1939 for their services during 1938.

NAVAL APPOINTMENTS

The following appointments are made by the Admiralty:—

Vice-Admirals—Sir Wilfred F. French, K.C.B., C.M.G., Sir Gerald C. Dickens, K.C.V.O., C.B., C.M.G. to Victory for crse. (May 9).

Rear-Admirals—G. Layton, C.B., D.S.O., R. B. Davies, V.C., D.S.O., A.F.C., to Victory for crse. (May 9); H. R. Moore, C.V.O., D.S.O., to Victory, as Chief of Staff to Admiral of the Fleet the Earl of Cork and Orrery, G.C.B., G.C.V.O., Commander-in-Chief, Portsmouth (May 18).

Capt.—A. R. Halfhide, H. C. Bovell, to Victory for crse. (May 9).

Lt.-Cdr.—D. C. Kiploch, to Victoria and Albert (May 1).

Lt. (E)—G. H. Way, to Pembroke, on staff of Commander-in-Chief, The Nore (May 5).

Surgn. Lt. (D)—D. C. Howe, L.D.S., to Barham (undated).

Sub-Lts.—G. W. Style, P. J. Morgan, P. G. C. Dickens, to Victoria and Albert (May 1).

Cd. Engr.—H. R. Haddon, to Fitzroy (May 5).

Gunnors (T)—S. J. C. Cuppy, to Somali (April 29); F. W. Grant, to Tartar (May 10).

Wt. Engrs.—A. J. Fisher, R. D. Goodier, A. J. S. Bennett, to Pembroke, on staff of Commander-in-Chief, The Nore (May 5).

MOSQUITOES AS DISEASE CARRIERS

A lion tamer died recently in America from the effects of a mosquito bite. At least, so we are informed by the newspapers. What an astonishing contrast! A man whose profession demands that he faces the King of Animals every day and who is always in danger of being torn to pieces by the claws of this Prince of the Desert, finally dies from the bite of an insignificant mosquito.

Still, it is by no means rare that men die from mosquito bites. In British India, for instance, the number of deaths due to the Anopheles (the mosquito which transmits malaria) reaches a million per year and the number of victims of all kinds of other mosquitoes is still higher. Mosquitoes ordinarily play the part of disease carriers. In the particular case of malaria, for instance, the bout of fever itself is

THE ARMY

LIABILITY TO RECALL FOR SERVICE

It has been decided that the conditions of service for all future entrants to the Army in India Reserve of Officers shall include a liability to be called to military service in the event of the Government of India considering that a state of emergency has arisen or is imminent.

Officers who already hold commissions in this Reserve are not affected by the decision but may accept the liability voluntarily.

SCHOLARSHIPS AT ARMY SCHOOLS

Nine scholarships are to be competed for annually by pupils of British Army schools in India whose parents do not pay school fees. The value of the scholarships is 240 rupees for day pupils and 480 rupees for boarders. The awards will be made as from April 1, and a scholarship may be renewed at the discretion of the Chief of the General Staff if school reports are satisfactory and provided that the father has not been promoted to commissioned rank. A scholarship or its extension will not be discontinued if the father is commissioned after the award has been made. The Lawrence military schools at Sahawar, Murree, Mount Abu, and Lovedale are not British Army schools for the purpose of these awards.

ROYAL AIR FORCE

NEW "DISTURBANCE ALLOWANCE"

The introduction of what is called "disturbance allowance" for officers and airmen is notified in Air Ministry Orders. It has effect from April 1 and will be issuable once only in connexion with any one posting. It will not apply to Movements to or within India.

A qualified married officer who changes station on posting, or temporary duty, and who, although entitled, cannot be provided with furnished public quarters for himself and his family at the new station, will be granted a disturbance allowance of £20 towards the incidental expenditure incurred in connexion with the removal of his household. This is provisional on the duration of the officer's stay at the station to which he is ordered being likely to exceed six months; on the officer necessarily changing his place of residence; and on the family being entitled to conveyance at public expense. A similar allowance will be granted to officers rejoining for permanent employment from half-pay, the retired list, or the Reserve, if this involves change of residence.

A married airman of 26 or over who changes station on posting or temporary duty will be granted a disturbance allowance of £5 under similar conditions to those for officers, but irrespective of whether he is provided with public quarters.

FOREIGN OFFICE BAN ON SUEZ CANAL BOOK

A Foreign Office ban on vital passages in a book, "The Drama of the Suez Canal," a history of the political and international intrigue behind the construction and control of "the Gateway to the East" may prevent publication of the work.

Only a few hours after the ban, one of the two authors, Sir John T. Davies, for many years a director of the Canal and formerly private secretary to Mr. Lloyd George died.

The final decision on publication rests with his co-author, Mr. Harry J. Greenwall, and the publishers, Messrs. Thornton Butterworth.

"In view of his former status as secretary to a Prime Minister, Sir John submitted the book to us for approval in the normal way," an official of the Foreign Office told a reporter "and we have given it careful consideration."

"It deals with a very complex question and one which has a great bearing on international politics as well as affairs at home. Reluctantly it was decided that we must take a certain view of a number of passages in the work and Sir John was advised accordingly."

"It was considered that the passages were not desirable, coming from the pen of a man who formerly held high office under the State, as the world is apt to consider their views as those of the Government."

"We understand that Sir John stated shortly before he died that he was uncertain whether to withdraw the book altogether or to amend the passages of which we complain."

CANAL'S FUTURE

Mr. T. Butterworth, a member of the firm of publishers, said:

"Sir John called at my office just before he died, and discussed the future of the book. It was suggested that publication should be postponed until the autumn, but nothing definite was decided."

"Mr. Greenwall is in Paris and until he returns I cannot say what will happen."

It is understood that a section of the book deal with the future of the Suez Canal when the concession, granted by the Egyptian Government, expires in 30 years' time.

Sir John Davis was private secretary to Mr. Lloyd George from 1912 to 1922, when he was given the British Government directorship on the Board of the Canal.

caused by the microscopic parasite that the mosquito deposits at the same time that it draws blood from its victim. Happily, we have quinine—extracted from cinchona bark—at our disposal, thanks to which the parasites can be destroyed in a radical manner.

Here again nature balances matters. With one hand she threatens us with malaria by letting loose on humanity countless mosquitoes and parasites, and with the other hand she provides us with this remedy, quinine, thanks to which countless human lives have been spared. As a preventive measure, the Malaria Commission of the League of Nations recommends the taking of a daily dose of 6 grains during

Armoured Cars In Surprise Tactics

"Cavalry (Armoured Car) Training has been revised. The principles and system of training are as laid down for the traditional horse-cavalry, but in dealing with the speediest unit in the Army, modifications suitable to that arm have to be allowed."

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This rate of movement, writes a London Daily Telegraph correspondent, is one of the characteristics of the lighter type of armoured fighting vehicle. Allied with it is its ability to deliver fire when in movement.

Distant reconnaissance is the primary duty of mechanised cavalry, and success depends on the value of the information obtained about the enemy without fighting for it.

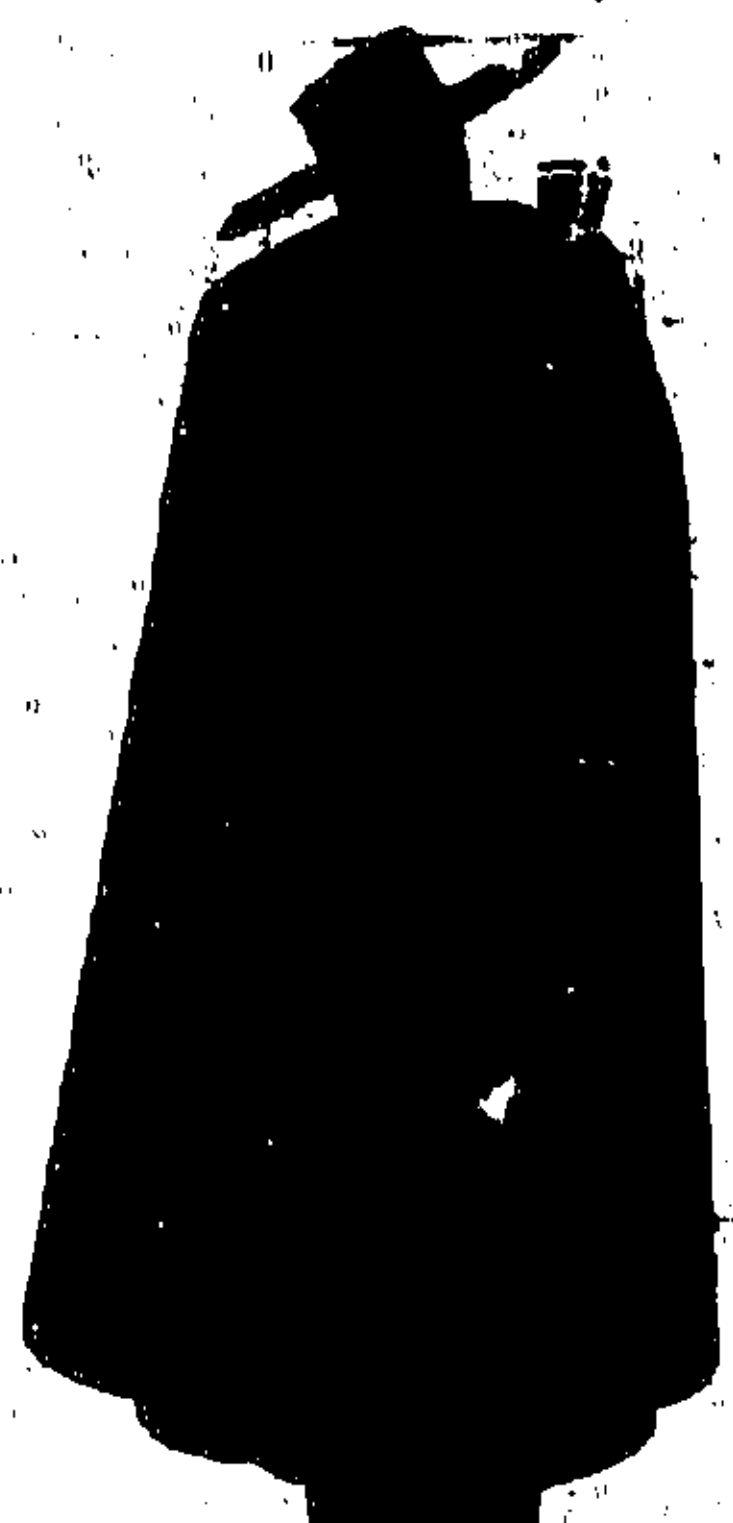
SURPRISE ACTION

Surprise action is another important duty of the armoured car crew. "Mosquito tactics" fall under this heading.

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Usually the disease starts between the toes. Little watery blisters form and the skin cracks and peels. The skin also cracks and peels, and the itching becomes worse and worse.

Often the disease travels all over the bottom of the feet. The soles of your feet become red and swollen. The skin also cracks and peels, and the itching becomes worse and worse.

It has been said that this disease originated in the trenches, so some people call it Trench Foot. Whatever name you give it, however, the thing to do is to get rid of it as quickly as possible, because it is very contagious and it may go to your hands or even to the under arm or crotch of legs.

Most people who have Athlete's Foot have tried all kinds of remedies to cure it without success. Ordinary germicides, antiseptics, or ointments seldom do any good.

The germ that causes the disease is known as Tinea Trichophyton. It buries itself deep in the tissues of the skin and is very hard to kill. A test made shows that it takes 15 minutes of boiling to kill the germ, so you can see why the ordinary remedies are unsuccessful.

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Copy of Report of Drs. Couret and Hauser after they had submitted H. F. to a thorough examination.

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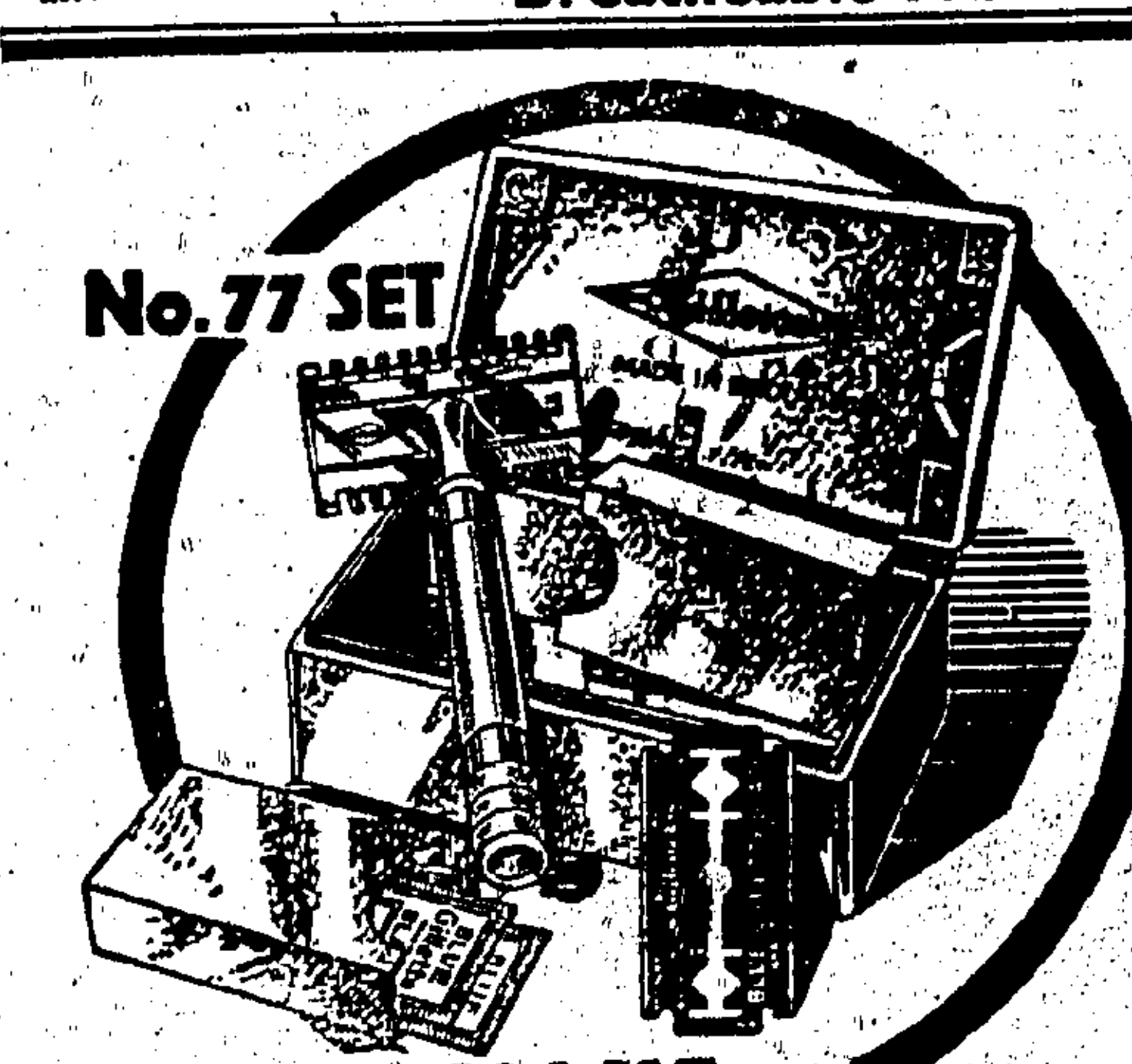
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VOICES THAT LOST US THE U.S. FILM MARKET

TODAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S: "Farewell Again"

QUEEN'S: "Snow White"

ORIENTAL: "Strike Me Pink"

Kowloon

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STAR: "We Went To College"

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SIX HOURS TO ACHIEVE HEARTS' DESIRE

The adventures of a handful of people given six hours in which to achieve their hearts' desire are thrillingly depicted in "Farewell Again," which is showing at the King's Theatre today.

Leslie Banks and Flora Robson, the stars of Erich Pommer's "Fire Over England," again head the cast of the great producer's latest offering.

The story of "Farewell Again" is based on the true story of an English troopship whose passengers were given a few hours' leave at Southampton in which to see their sweethearts, their wives, their mothers, their children, to fulfil the dreams of years of yearning during years of service in the East.

WHO TOLD YOU THAT?

"Business was slow, so the barber decided to shave himself. Halfway through he cut himself. As the blood trickled down his chin he began to laugh loudly."

"What are you laughing at?" demanded another barber. "Do you realise you've cut yourself?"

The barber waved the razor menacingly at his own throat. "Why should I care?" he sneered. "I shaved myself yesterday and didn't receive even a penny tip."

DIED QUOTING BIBLE

After quoting the reference in the Book of Ezekiel to the "Valley of Dry Bones," Mr. F. P. Robson, High Sheriff of Monmouthshire, collapsed and died at a civic reception to Sir William Pirth at Ebbw Vale. He was 78.

The function was immediately abandoned.

Mr. Robson was proposing the health of visitors. He said that Ebbw Vale was like the "Valley of Dry Bones" until Sir William Pirth and his company came to it.

Then his head fell forward. His listeners thought he was pausing. Before anyone could reach him he fell to the floor. He was carried to an adjoining room, where a doctor attended him. Ten minutes later it was announced that he was dead.

The luncheon was given by Ebbw Vale Council to Sir William and Lady Pirth to express appreciation for the establishment of new works by the firm of Richard Thomas and Co., Llanidloes manufacturers, at Ebbw Vale. Sir William is chairman of the company.

The passage in the 37th chapter of Ezekiel begins: "The hand of the Lord was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the Lord, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones." It describes how it was prophesied that the "dry bones" would be covered with flesh and skin and caused to live.

Effeminate Accents Spoiling British Pictures

Film production in Britain has suffered the most costly setback in its history. There is no mystery about the cause. The plain fact is that nine British films out of ten are unacceptable to America, writes a Home correspondent.

What can we do about it? Well, I have no wish to be thought revolutionary, but I think we might begin by studying the buyer's point of view. It is not a bit of use going on repeating that Americans should like our films. Speaking generally, they don't; and in this, as in every other industry, the customer's always right.

NOT THE REAL ENGLAND

Now most of the faults that irritate Americans also irritate flimgoers here. Paul Rotha, one of them when he said that on arriving in America he found it quite familiar, from the New York skyline to the liftboy with a "raggy line of wisecracks."

In other words, Mr. Rotha had been prepared by films that really do paint the American scene.

Americans who saw Mr. Rotha's documentaries, on the other hand, found England wholly strange. "Why," they asked, "haven't your commercial film-makers given us the real England instead of the sham international stuff that Hollywood does so much better?"

To do this would require a different and vastly more sincere approach to film production. Artistically the case is unanswerable. Whether art and prosperity go hand in hand is debatable; but they could hardly be more effectively divorced than they are now.

THESE VOICES COME HIGH

In any case there is one fault that could be remedied without risking a penny—I mean the accent, that has been variously described as Oxford, clerical, B.B.C., and just plain effeminate.

I don't altogether agree about the B.B.C., some of whose announcers speak charmingly. But everyone knows the sort of voice I have in mind. There are players constantly employed in our studios, while first-rate actors are forgotten, who have only to open their mouths to knock a thousand dollars a word off the box-office takings.

SHOWING AMERICA OUR PROBLEMS

Mr. Rotha, after a lecture tour of the United States, has come back full of the subject, partly, no doubt, because he found that audiences had considerable difficulty in following what he said.

The fifteen documentary films he took across were very well received, particularly "Night Mail" and J. B. Priestley's "We Live in Two Worlds." They have been seen by hundreds of Government officials, University lecturers, publicists and film people, all keenly interested in glimpses of our problems of unemployment, malnutrition and housing.

AMERICAN DOCUMENTARIES Americans themselves, stimulated by the administration, and by the

coming Word's Fair in New York, are planning to make more documentaries. One on the Mississippi has already attracted a great deal of attention.

It would be rash to assume, however, that they have learned the art from us. Long ago America turned out such magnificent films as "White Shadows in the South Seas" (documentary thinly disguised as fiction), "Nanook," "Chang" and "Grass." The entire first reel of "Come and Get It," with its shots of the lumber industry, was documentary—and a superb example, at that.

To dismiss "Nanook" and "Grass" as commercial pictures is to invite the question, "When is a documentary not a documentary?" To which the answer would seem to be, "When it's good, enough to make money."

QUICKER THINKING

When it came to commercial British films, Mr. Rotha found the American was much more critical. He admitted the high quality of some, but found that generally he was a time ahead of the dialogue and two twists ahead of the plot. The mixture of races, including the quick-witted Jew, the struggle for existence, the taxi-driver's belief that one day he may be President, all combine to produce a quicker tempo of life and thought. Add that the American cannot follow half the dialogue, and dislikes the accent when he can, and you can see why British films rarely cause a panic at the box-office.

THEN AND VULGAR

The obvious retort, that a man from Kansas City shouldn't talk about accents, gets us nowhere. If we want to sell Americans our films, and we do, then we must avoid the vocal qualities they detest. English accents, as such, are not disliked. That is shown by the popularity of Arliss, Colman, Marshall, Flynn and Hunter. What maddens Americans is the thin, high-pitched, peevish bleat that a certain type of young person associates with culture and a great many others with effeminacy. It would be a shock to a number of actors and actresses to know how many people in this country heartily agree with America.

The voice I have in mind is artificial and therefore irritating; it seeks to proclaim something that a person of real culture takes for granted, and is therefore vulgar; it makes anything like a full, rich tone and variety of expression quite impossible, and is therefore bad art.

Young players so handicapped should be made to realise, at every opportunity, that they are trying to interpret the symphony of life on a penny whistle.

GIRL MARRIED THROUGH FEAR

Egyptian's Threat To Kill Her

A decree nisi of nullity was granted in England recently to a 22-year-old woman who alleged that she was coerced by threats into marrying an Egyptian.

The petitioner was Mrs. Estella Henrietta Hussein, otherwise Bliz, of Victoria Mansions, West Kensington, who, in October, 1933, when she was 18, married Mohamed Hussein at Ealing register office.

Her case was that from August, 1933, when the first met Hussein, he constantly proposed marriage to her. On her refusal he threatened to take her life and then commit suicide unless she changed her mind.

PARTED AFTER CEREMONY

In the end she agreed "through fear of her life."

They parted directly after the ceremony and she never lived with him as his wife.

"The story of the petitioner is an amazing one, but I accept it," remarked Mr. Justice Henn Collins. "I believe her when she says she believed in his threats. There is a document which she was made to sign, which shows he was said of power over this girl of 18, and exercised it."

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TODAY

Anniversaries and Holidays—Indian Mutiny Outbreak, 1857. St. Antoninus, Bishop.

Auctions—Household Furniture, at 35 Hankow Road, Kowloon, 2:30 p.m.

Cinema—(See Column 3 of this Page)

Malls—(See Page 16)

Meetings—Monthly of Women's Auxiliary of the Society for the Protection of Children, at Helena May, 10 a.m.; Kowloon Chess Club, at Peninsula Hotel, 3:30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.

Miscellaneous—Rotary, Tiffin, Hong Kong Hotel, War Painting Exhibition at St. Francis Hotel.

Moon—IV Moon, 11th Day.

Rehearsals—A.D.C. at European Y.M.C.A., 8 p.m.

Religious—Prayer Meeting in Chaplain's Room of S. and S. Home, 8 o'clock.

Social—Police Branch of Ministering League Bridge and Mahjong Drive at Police Recreation Club, 3 p.m.; Craigengower Cricket Club Weekly Tombola, 2.15 p.m.

Sports—(See Page 10)

Sunrise—5.46 a.m. Sunset—6.54 p.m.

Tides—High at 06.55 and 12.04. Low at 00.10 and 12.58.

TOMORROW

Moon—IV Moon, 12th Day.

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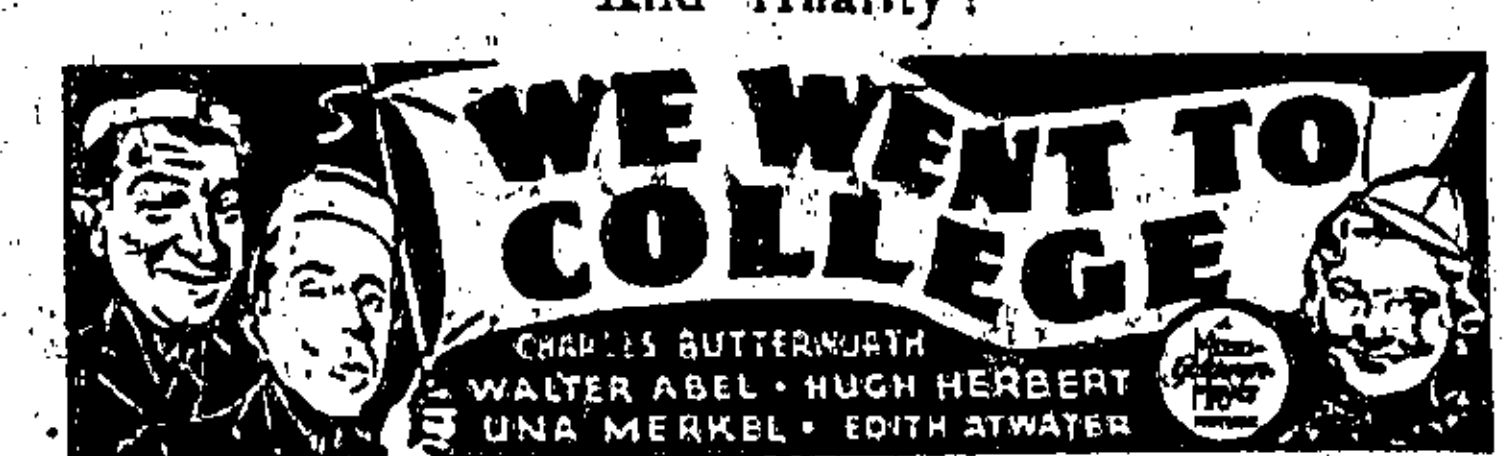


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It was on April 30, 1916, that Mr. de Valera had to make the surrender at the end of the rising. The field glasses were handed over to Captain Egan, of Coventry, who recently sent them to the Prime Minister.

The King has approved the appointment of the Honourable Cyril Asquith, K.C., to be a Justice of the High Court, King's Bench Division, in place of Mr. Justice Porter, who has been appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary. Mr. Asquith is the fourth son of the first Earl of Oxford and Asquith, and has been Recorder of Salisbury since 1937.

THE port authorities at Marseilles are remodelling and enlarging the P. and O.'s embarkation facilities at a cost of £20,000 sterling. A STRADIVARIUS 'cello was sold for £1500 in a London sale-room. It is many years since one was auctioned. A Stradivarius violin was sold for £1250.

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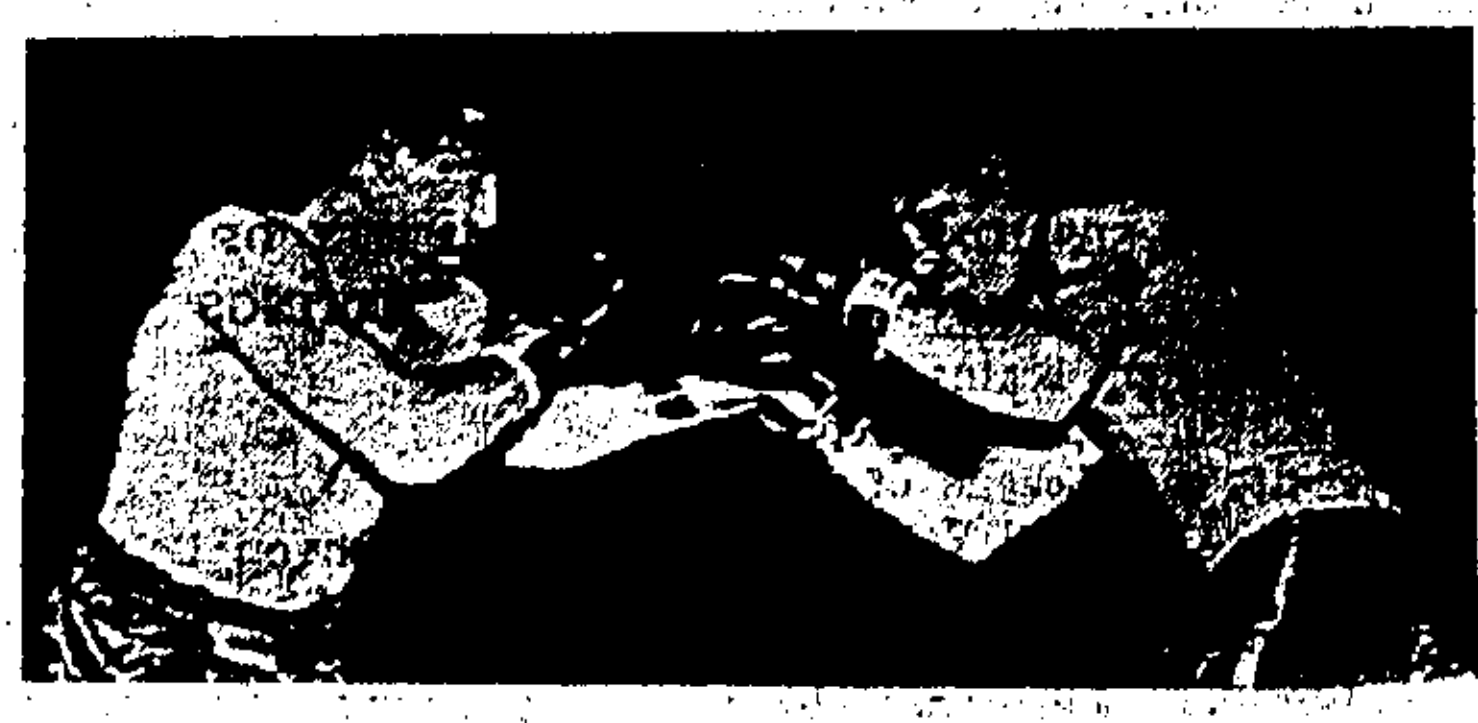


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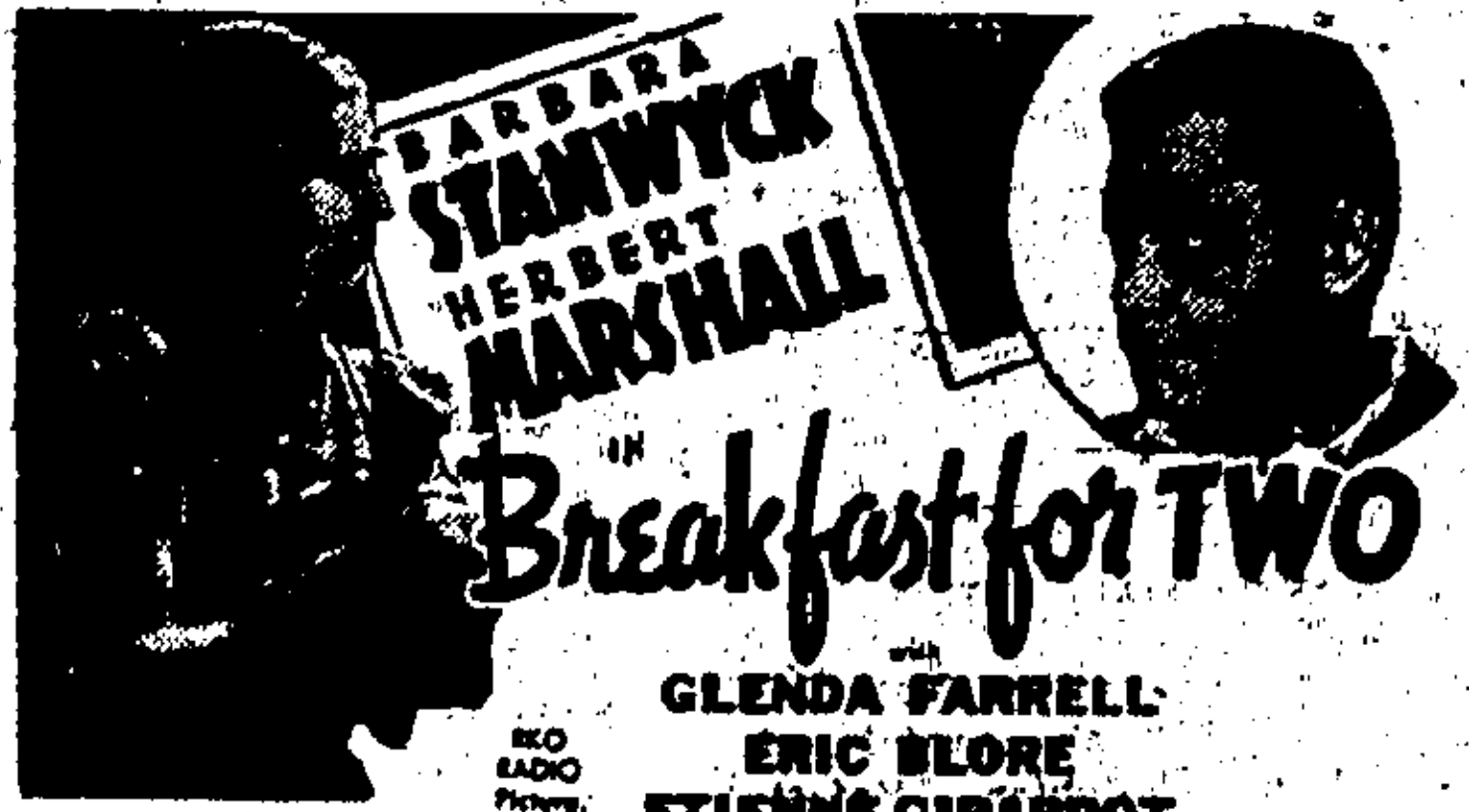
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MR. H. DE V. STACPOOLE

Marriage to Late Wife's Sister

Mr. H. de Vere Stacpoole, the novelist, whose home is at Cliff Dene, Bonchurch, was married recently to Miss Florence Robson, a sister of the late Mrs. Stacpoole, who died in January, 1934. The wedding took place at the Newport register office.

Mr. Stacpoole is about 70 years of age and his bride about 50. She has been acting as housekeeper to Mr. Stacpoole since his first wife's death.

More than 300 students of the South-western Joint University have arrived in Yunnanfu from Changsha after a trek over 3,400 li by foot, states a dispatch to the Sin Wan Pao. The youthful arrivals, who appeared none the worse for the long journey, were given a big ovation in a welcome meeting arranged by educational circles in Yunnanfu.

Australia supplied Canada with 70,176 pounds out of 93,268 pounds of canned beeches and spruces imported in January. This compares with a total importation of 11,980 pounds in January, 1937.

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CAIRO CABINET
RESIGNS

Cairo, May 8.
All Maher Pasha, Chief of the
loyal Cabinet, has tendered his
resignation to King Farouk.
The resignation has not yet been
accepted.—(Reuter).

Hungarian
Minority
Demands
In Prague

Prague, May 9.
Two deputies and members of
the United Hungarian Party have
presented a memorandum to the
Government in the name of the
800,000 Hungarian minority in
Czechoslovakia.

The chief demands are: a law
for the Protection of the minority,
the creation of a Hungarian uni-
versity, proportional representa-
tion in state and local government
services, free importation of
Hungarian newspapers and peri-
odicals and the granting of some
influence on broadcast program-
mes.—(Reuter).

ROOSEVELT ASKS
ECONOMIC
CO-OPERATION

Plea For Joint
Effort To Create
New Order

Washington, May 9.
On the eve of the meeting of
the League of Nations Council, a
message from President Roosevelt
was read over the radio by the
Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell
Hull, last night in which the Pres-
ident called on nations of the
world to make "a joint effort to
construct a new and better world
order."

The President declared, "co-
operation in the solution of econo-
mic problems offers one of the
most practical approaches to a
task which the world must under-
take."

"There is a general growing
realisation that no nation or group
of nations can enjoy prosperity
or plenty when a large part of
the world is in economic distress."
President Roosevelt added that
the United States is pledged to a
course of international economic
co-operation and will spare no ef-
fort in loyally continuing in that
course.—(Reuter).

SHANGHAI-NINGPO
SHIPS STOP

Ningpo, May 9.
Shipping between Shanghai and
Ningpo has been suspended by the
Chinese military authorities from
today.—(Central News).

BASLE INTERNATIONAL
BANKERS' PARLEY

Basle, May 9.
The representatives of 21 European note-issuing banks have ar-
rived here to take part in the eighth general meeting of the Bank
for International Settlements. Several representatives of American
and Japanese note-issuing banks, who are also shareholders of the
Bank for International Settlements, are also here.

Mr. S. A. Weldon represents the
First National Bank of America,
while the Bank of Japan is repre-
sented by its Berlin manager, Mr.
Yamamoto.

The German delegation is the
same as that attending the month-
ly sessions of the Board of Direc-
tors of the Bank for International
Settlements. Besides Dr. Schacht,
President of the Reichsbank, Fin-
ance Councillor Focke and Dr.
Ernst Huebel will attend as rep-
resentatives of the Reichsbank
Directorate, while Herr von
Schroeder, banker from Cologne,
and Herr Reusch, general manager
of the Gute Hoffnungshütte, will
also be members of this delegation.

ENGLISH DEPUTATION
Besides its permanent delegates,
Mr. Montague Norman, Sir Otto
Niemeier and Director Gobhold,
the Bank of England has sent two
experts, while the Bank of France,
besides Deputy Governor Fournier,
Baron Brinard and the Marquis
de Vogue, has also sent its Finance
President and Director of the De-
partment of Studies.

The Bank of Italy has sent
Signor Accolli, Professor Bene-
duce, Director Pennachio and

WELLINGTON KOO TO APPEAL
TO LEAGUE COUNCIL

Geneva Meeting To Hear
China, Ethiopia, Spain

NOTED MEN ADVISING NEGUS

Geneva, May 9.
In connection with the Chinese appeal to the League of Nations
Council based on the Articles 10, 11 and 17 of the Covenant, it is
learned here that the Council will give the Chinese delegate, Dr.
Wellington Koo, full opportunity to address about his appeal at the
forthcoming meeting.

From those in touch with the
British delegation, however, it is
learned that the British and
French delegations will not be in
the position to take active part in
the discussions caused by the
Chinese appeal, so that it is not
to be expected that any concrete
decision in China's favour will re-
sult.

INDIVIDUAL AID

The heroic efforts being made
by the Chinese people against the
Japanese, are being followed with
sincere sympathy. That these ef-
forts have been accompanied by
important successes in the last
two months is, however, not at
least of all due to the motion car-
ried at the 100th session of the
League of Nations Council per-
mitting League members to sup-
port China at their discretion.



China's Dr. Koo

All sources agree that neither
England nor France consider that
the present time is propitious for
any kind of decision on part of
the League of Nations Council in
favour of China. It is, however,
declared, that China's appeal will
not fail to have due effect with
League members as far as these
are in the position to take suitable
measures to aid China.—(Trans-
ocean).

ETHIOPIA'S DELEGATION

London, May 8.
The Ethiopian Legation has an-
nounced that Emperor Haile
Selassie has directed Ato Tazara,
permanent representative of
Ethiopia at Geneva, to attend the
Council meeting tomorrow. Ato
Ephrem Medhen will act as sub-
stitute representative.

Sir Norman Angell, the famous
author-journalist who was award-
ed the Nobel Peace Prize in 1933,
Professor J. L. Briery, the famous
International jurist and Chichele
Professor of International Law at

All Souls College, Oxford, and Pro-
fessor Stanley Jevons who founded
the famous Manchester Guardian,
Hon. Treasurer of the Abyssinia
Association, will act as technical
advisers to the Ethiopian dele-
gation.—(Reuter).

SECRET SESSIONS

Geneva, May 8.
Lord Halifax, the British Foreign
Secretary who is leading the Em-
pire's delegation to the forth-
coming session of the League of
Nations Council, spent a busy day
immediately after his arrival from
London.

Throughout the day he has been
busy interviewing members of the
Council. He saw Dr. Wellington
Koo, the Chinese delegate, in the
morning.

The preliminary meeting will be
followed by a secret session, at
which the proposals by Dr.
Wellington Koo and Senor Del
Vayo regarding the Sino-Japanese
conflict and the Spanish Civil War
will be heard.

The first public meeting of the
Council will be held on Tuesday.—
(Reuter).

BONNET'S CONFERENCE

Paris, May 9.
Before leaving Paris for Geneva
last night, the French Foreign
Minister, M. Bonnet, had a lengthy
conversation with the visiting
Belgian Ministers, Foreign Minister
M. Spaak and Economics Minister
Mr. de Smidt.

The Premier, M. Daladier, was
engaged the whole day in negotia-
tions with the Ministers of Labour
and Trade.—(Transocean).

MEDIATION IN SPAIN DENIED

Geneva, May 8.
The Spanish Consul-General
here, Senor Rivas Cherif, address-
ing pressmen yesterday, denied
emphatically that he had been
delegated by his Government to
induce one of the Latin American
states to enter into negotiations
with the insurgents, with the ob-
ject of arranging an armistice.

A rumour that Valencia had
addressed itself to the Bolivian
Government was circulated four
days ago, but after the British
and the French Governments al-
lowed it to be known that they
were little disposed to action
from the League of Nations the
Spanish representative denied the
rumour.

LEAGUE SESSION

At the League of Nations Coun-
cil session, which begins today,
the Republican Spanish repre-
sentative at the League of Na-
tions, Senor Alvarez del Vayo, will
have an opportunity to remind
League members of their obliga-
tions towards Spain.—(Trans-
ocean).

British Ship
Near Capture
By Insurgents

H.M. CRUISER TO
THE RESCUE

Gibraltar, May 8.
An S.O.S. from the captain of
the British freighter, Refast,
stating that she was being pur-
sued near Gibraltar by two in-
surgent trawlers, brought an
immediate response from the
British Navy today.

The 1335 ton destroyer Graton,
(Commander C. L. Firth), which
was commissioned only two years
ago, and is one of the speediest
vessels in the British Navy, was
rushed immediately to the as-
sistance of the British ship.

As soon as the destroyer hove
into sight the trawlers altered
their course and made for the
sanctuary of Ceuta.

The Refast, which was formerly
the Nantucket Chief, was de-
tained for a fortnight at Palma,
where she was seized by the in-
surgents last January.—(Reuter).

LAMMERTS' AUCTIONS

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HOUSEHOLD AND OFFICE
FURNITURE

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PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY SUFFERS PRODUCTION LOSS OF OVER \$2,000

Only One Show A Year Is
Suggested At Meeting

PRESENTATION TO MR. H.J. BEST

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society was held in the Cathedral Hall yesterday when Mr. H. H. Priestley presided over a fairly large gathering of members.

At the conclusion of the meeting Mr. H. J. Best, who is shortly leaving the Colony on retirement was presented with a set of ivory carvings by Mr. Priestley who thanked Mr. Best, on behalf of the members, for all he had done for the Society and wished him a very happy retirement.

Addressing the gathering the Chairman said:—

Before proceeding with my duties I must explain my reason for presiding at this general meeting. Dr. Valentine left some time ago on home leave and before he left he asked me to carry on for him.

He promised to write me regarding what he had to say in connection with the Society's activities during the current year, but his words of guidance failed to reach me therefore I apologise in advance for any omissions.

As you know, during the year under review the Society produced the Street Singer and the Arcadians. The former production was well discussed at the last General Meeting, although not part of that financial year's working, but sufficient was then said to make any further comments superfluous.

The Arcadians was excellently produced by Mr. W. Robertson who put in a tremendous amount of hard work. Mr. Lindsay A. Lafford gave every support as Hon. Musical Director and the members engaged in the production evidently enjoyed themselves, at least, so it appeared to the enthusiastic audiences.

LOSS ON ARCADIAN
The next part of my duty is to comment on the accounts as presented. It will be seen we incurred a loss of \$743.88 on the Arcadians production which with the loss on the Street Singer of

\$1,369.37 makes a total production loss for the year of \$2,113.25.

The Society's ordinary expenditure per annum is \$426.98 and the yearly income \$1,425. So roughly speaking the Society can afford to lose about \$1,000 in furthering the Society's object of musical productions, and catering for the enjoyment of members and the general public.

But figures show we cannot afford to exceed a loss of \$1,000 per year, and therefore it has been suggested to me that we should only produce one show yearly until we have recovered the extra loss made this year, and later on I would like to have the views of members on this point. The year closes with the Society having assets to the extent of \$1,097.62 of which \$726.82 is in cash.

CHORUS SUGGESTION

In the general discussion that followed the meeting the Rev. Cyril Brown suggested that in future productions the members of the choruses should be reduced. He also made appeals to all members to take criticisms in good part.

The following were officials elected for the ensuing year:—
President: Mr. H. H. Priestley;
Hon. Secretary: Mr. D. Kossick;
Hon. Treasurer: Mr. W. J. Burling;
Members of the Committee:—Rev. Cyril Brown, Mr. R. J. Shrigley, Mr. T. E. Jackson and Miss E. Finlay.

MA ON SHAN IS SAFE

Sighted By Two
Steamers

NEAR INDO-CHINA
COAST

The anxiety felt in the past few days for the safety of the ketch, the Ma On Shan, which left Hong Kong on April 30, was abated when reports were received from the Jardine steamer Isami, which left Singapore bound for Hong Kong and Saigon on May 6, that the yacht was approaching the Indo-China coast. The report further stated that the ketch was sighted sailing south-south-west, and that there were no distress signals.

A further report, made by the German steamer Crefeld, stated that a yacht was sighted about 1 p.m. on May 6, but this report was doubtful as it could not have been possible for the Ma On Shan to have made such a lot of mileage in a few hours. When sighted, the Crefeld stated that the ketch was about five miles away.

Yesterday morning the R.A.F. received a signal from the Isami stating that a small yacht (presumably the Ma On Shan) had been sighted.

It is believed that the Isami's report is vouchsafed by the fact that the position indicated by the report is consistent with the course taken by the Ma On Shan.

It is noteworthy that the Ma On Shan, with Squadron-Leader and Mrs. G. Francis aboard, carries no wireless transmitting set, but is equipped with a receiving set. The navigators, therefore, have to depend on the transmitting of weather reports from other vessels.

Further confirmation of the safety of the Ma On Shan was received when the Dutch steamer Rantau, Pandjara reported the sighting of a yacht on May 6 near Lat. 12 degrees, 50 min. North, Longitude 110 degrees East.

MARRIAGE AT REGISTRY

Mr. C. D. H. Botteller, chief steward of the s.s. Tyssandane, and Miss Helena Barten, nee Fuks, were married at the Registry, Supreme Court, yesterday.

Mr. W. Anceur Jones, Deputy Registrar of Marriages, officiated, and the witnesses were Messrs. A. Post and A. Goudstikker.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A number of well-known names figure in the latest announcements of forthcoming marriages: Mr. Tso Tsun-on, accountant in Messrs. Tso and Hodgson, residing at No. 5 Shui Fai Terrace, and Miss Beatrice Chang, of No. 237 Prince Edward Road.

Dr. C. G. Lee, of No. 157 Nathan Road, first floor, to Miss Jean Pearl Mark, of the same address. Mr. George Hugh Winston Churchill, on the staff of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Ltd., residing at the Manila Club, Manila, and Miss Irene Willis Butler, of "Hillside," No. 114 Waterloo Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Eievery Konstantinovich Tokmakoff, of Hong Kong Jockey Club Stables, and Miss Klauudia Nikolaevna Tokmakoff, of No. 340 Bubbling Well Road, Shanghai.

Mr. Arthur Purin, aerial mechanic, of No. 241 Nathan Road, top floor, and Miss Tatiana Nicollevna Vasilenko, of the same address.

Mr. Alfred Bethell, police officer, Hong Kong Police, stationed at Faumail, and Miss Cecilia Marie Eleanor Forrest, of No. 2 Lock Road, first floor.

Mr. Frank Day Lockwood, police officer, Shanghai Municipal Council Foochow Road, Shanghai, and Miss Elsie White Thompson, of No. 218 Nathan Road, Kowloon.

SATISFACTORY BILL OF HEALTH

The most satisfactory health report to be presented in the Colony for a long time is the one for the 48 hours ended midnight, Sunday. There were only seven cases of small-pox, three cases of diphtheria, three of measles and one case of dysentery.

EASTERN HEALTH

The Health Bulletin of Eastern Ports for the week ending April 30 shows the following cases:—

Plague:—Colombo 1.
Cholera:—Allahabad 2, Calcutta 92, Madras 4, Chittagong 3, Delhi 4, Hanol 43.

Small-Pox:—Calcutta 143, Karachi 10, Madras 38, Rangoon 1, Canton 10, Delhi 9, Haiphong 5, Saigon 1, Cholon 1, Hanoi 15, Mexico 3, Hong Kong 33, Shanghai 1.

THE SCRIPTURES IN CHINA

Supply Cannot
Meet Demand

The principal speaker at the annual meeting of the British and Foreign Bible Society, held at Helena May Institute yesterday was the Rev. H.W. Hudspeth who in the course of his talk referred to the present situation in China and remarked that the hostilities have caused more people than ever to read the Gospel, and the Bible in order to seek guidance.

The Dean, Very Rev. J. L. Wilson, presided. He apologised for the absence in the Right Rev. Bishop Hall who was prevented from attending by indisposition.

Dean Wilson said that this was a very special year for all those connected with the Bible for it was the fourth centenary of the setting of the Bible in English. He said that a commemorative service would be held at which His Excellency the Governor had promised to be present. A lecture would be given at this function on the "Influence of the Bible on English Language."

TOUR OF CHINA

The Rev. Hudspeth said that he had just returned from a 3000 mile tour of inland and western China and in Hankow he met a missionary who knew Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek very intimately.

This missionary told him that one day the Generalissimo said he had been reading the book of Jeremiah but did not understand it and asked that it be explained to him. At the end of this Madame Chiang told the missionary that she was afraid that she had neglected her husband and two or three days later she sent an aeroplane to Shanghai to buy all the commentaries published. These she looked up and every morning at 5.30 a.m. she explained them to the Generalissimo.

SHORTAGE OF SCRIPTURE

One of the difficulties which confronted them, the speaker said, was that they could not supply the number of scriptures demanded. Since the outbreak of the hostilities they found that they had printed and sold a copy of the Gospel every two minutes. At Nanking there was such a shortage that gunboats were used to carry these books up the river. At the conclusion of this address Mr. S.V. Boxer proposed a vote of thanks for all the collectors for the work done during the year under review.

MAGISTRATES WHO CANNOT WORK

The Lord Chancellor or England, Lord Halsbury, has arranged for the formation of a "supplemental list" of magistrates who cannot work on the bench through age or infirmity.

These magistrates will retain the privileges of justices and take part on ceremonial occasions, but they need not attend quarter sessions or petty sessions.

In a strongly-worded letter sent by the Lord Chancellor's department to lords-lieutenants of counties and other judicial officials it is stated that magistrates who suffer from impairment of sight or hearing are specially recommended to have their names put on the supplemental list.

Justices who never attend court and those who have removed from the area in which they were appointed are told that they should resign.

NOT TITLE OF HONOUR

The Lord Chancellor points out that "Justices of the Peace" are disqualified by statute from acting as such unless they live in or within seven miles of the borough or city or occupy property therein.

The letter continues:—
"From the correspondence which the Lord Chancellor has received it seems that many magistrates, finding themselves in this position, consider that they are still entitled, to remain Justices of the Peace or city or borough either as a reward for services which they have rendered or because they regard the holding of the office of a Justice of the Peace as equivalent to the holding of some decoration or honour."

"Such a conception of the nature of the office is erroneous. A Justiceship of the Peace is not and cannot be any circumstance regarded as a title of honour nor ought the office to be conferred as a reward for services or as a means of obtaining the dignity of its possessor."

ARMY REFORMS

Drastic Changes
In System Of
Promotion

I learn that drastic changes in the system of promoting Army officers are about to be brought into force, writes on Evening Standard correspondent.

The difficulty in working the present system is caused by the glut of officers in what is called "the middle piece"—the senior captains and the junior majors, men of between 40 and 50 years of age—few of whom have any hope of rising above their rank before they reach the age limit of 45 for captains and 50 for majors.

Their pension is too small for them to live in comfort, yet they retire at an age when it is almost hopeless, for them to find fresh work in civil life.

THE NEW SYSTEM

In future officers will be promoted, up to the rank of major, on a time scale, as is done at present. But the scale is to be adjusted so as to enable the officers selected for promotion to reach the rank of Lieutenant-colonel and command of a regiment by the age of 45; that is, after some 25 years' service.

On nearing the age for promotion to major every officer will be considered as to his fitness for regimental command. By careful weeding at each stage it will be ensured that the best men are promoted at a rate which will enable them to come to the top while they are still in their prime.

RETIRED PAY RATES

But to round off the reform, to compensate the less successful officers, and to maintain the flow of candidates, an increase in retired pay rates will be necessary. A figure of 40 per cent. is being suggested.

His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by his A.D.C., visited the exhibition of paintings by Fang Yan Tin at the St. Francis Hotel yesterday. His Excellency was received by Mr. Luis Chan and Mr. F. B. Lee, manager of the St. Francis Hotel and, before leaving, purchased a picture entitled "The Crossing."

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SHAI FACTORY MOVES TO H.K.

Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4012, situated in Sung Wong Toi Road, Matakook, of about 105,000 sq. feet and with an annual rental of \$1,206, and Inland Lot No. 4014 situated in the same district measuring 39,000 sq. feet and with an annual rental of \$448, were both combined into one lot and sold at the Crown Land Sales offices yesterday for the upset price of \$38,000. The buyers were the Tien Chu Ve-tsin Manufacturing Company of Shanghai.

It is understood that the Tien Chu Manufacturing Co., intend to build a factory in this district for the purpose of manufacturing their products of Ve-tsin (a flavouring condiment) locally. Work on the proposed factory will commence shortly and a representative of the Daily Press was informed yesterday that Messrs. Hazelland and Gonella, architects, will be in charge.

The Managing Director of the Company, Mr. P. N. Woo, of Shanghai was present at the sale.

C.N.A.C. CHANGE OF SCHEDULE

A change of schedule commencing Saturday was effected by the China National Aviation Corporation.

In future planes will leave Chungking on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays and outgoing planes from Hong Kong will be on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

The Pan American Airways' Philippine Clipper will arrive on Friday and will leave Hong Kong on the following day.

CORONATION DAY SALUTE

May 12 being Coronation Day all H.M. ships in harbour will be dressed overall between 8 a.m. and sunset, except ships refitting or in dock. A Royal salute will be fired at noon by ships in the stream and by H.M.S. Tamar.

JEAN D'ARE DAY

There was a slight change on Sunday of the observance by H.M. ships in the harbour of the French celebrations of St. Jean d'Are Day.

After consultation with the French Admiral, it was decided that, being Sunday, the salutes which were to have been fired at 8 a.m. and at noon, would be dispensed with, and only one salute was fired, at sunset.

ANNUAL TOUR OF INSPECTION

G.O.C. To Leave
For North

His Excellency Major-General A. W. Bartholomew, C.B., C.M.G., C.B.E., D.S.O., commanding the British Troops in China, is leaving the Colony on Thursday May 12, by the s.s. Carthage on his customary annual tour of inspection of the British Troops in Shanghai and Tientsin.

The General Officer Commanding will be accompanied by his Aide-de-Camp, Captain P. J. Hawthorth, R.A., Brigadier A. E. Thomson, G.B.E., A.A. and C.M.G. I.C. Administration, and Captain H. S. P. Hopkinson, G.S.O.III.

His Excellency is returning to Hong Kong from his tour of inspection on or about June 15, 1938.

During the G.O.C.'s absence in

North China, Brigadier F. W. L. Bissett, D.S.O., M.C., will command the Garrison.

NAVAL FUNERAL

SEAMAN ACCORDED
FULL HONOURS

Full naval honours were accorded the late Able Seaman Frederick Brownlow, of H.M.S. Diana, when his funeral took place at Happy Valley yesterday.

Draped with a Union Jack, the coffin was accompanied by an escort and a firing party, and officers and ratings from a number of ships attended.

The service was conducted by the Rev. R. Evans, Naval Chaplain. Flags on naval ships in the harbour were flown at half-mast between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Seaman Brownlow died of haemorrhagic small-pox.

COOLER WEATHER WITH RAIN

The same conditions as prevailed yesterday are expected today—cool, with some rain—according to the weather forecast issued by the Royal Observatory.

Yesterday morning a drop of seven degrees in temperature was recorded, and though humidity remained the same at 78 early on it became cooler as the day progressed and, after some rain had fallen at noon, the coolness reached a degree that was unusual for May.

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| 6. The Willow Plate. | ... | Hebert. |
| 7. Allegro Vivace. | ... | Loki. |

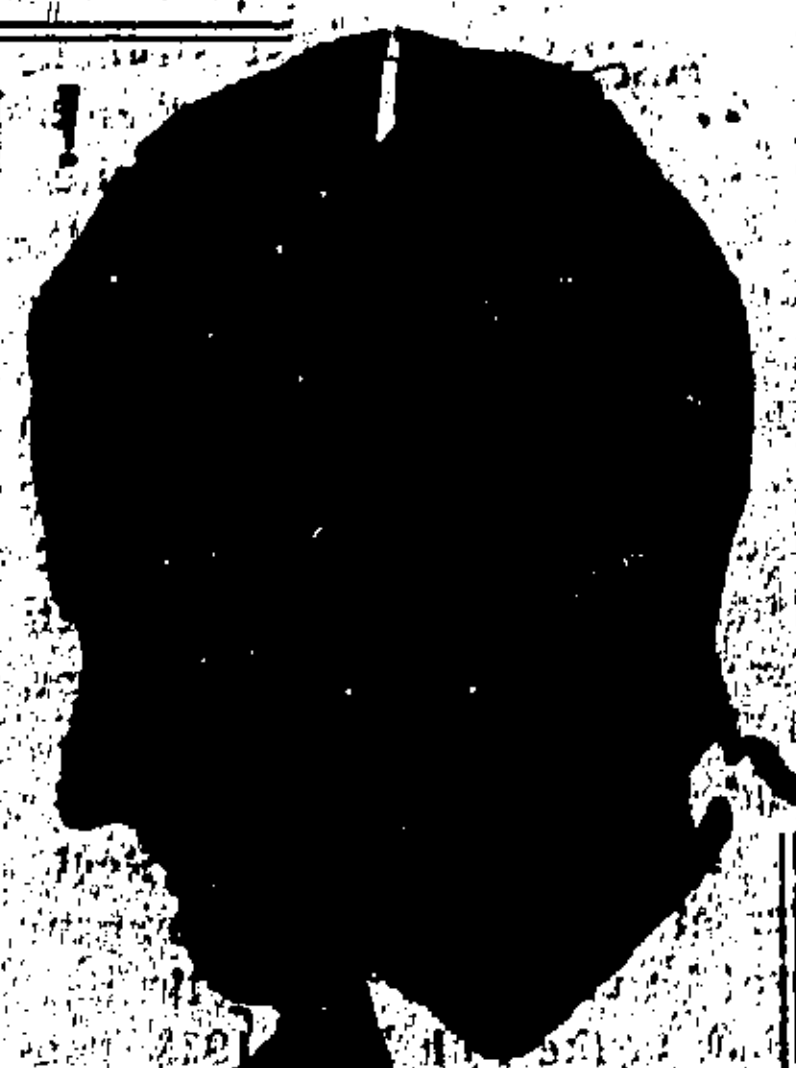
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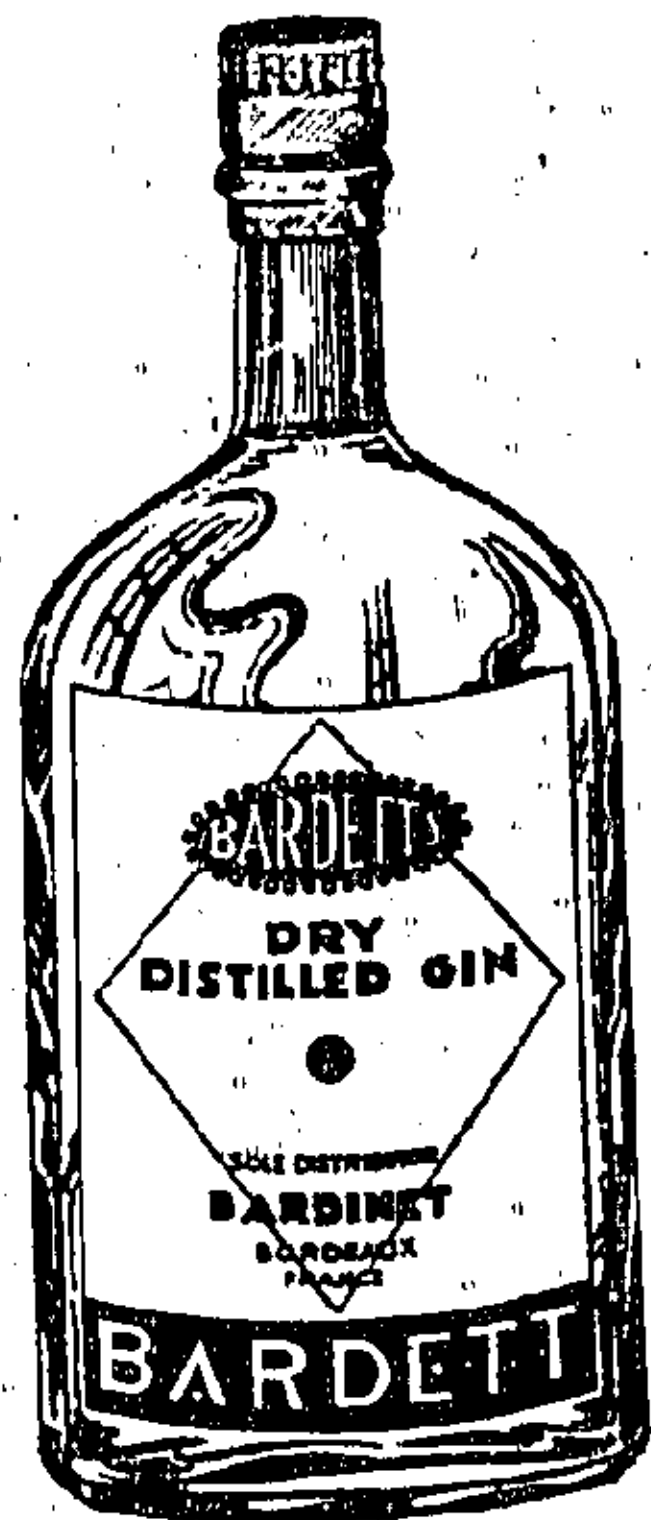
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FAIR PLAY FOR JAPAN!

HOW ABOUT giving Japan fair play?

"The sensational and blood-curdling news broadcast by those masters of propaganda, the Chinese, has given Japan a trying time the world over.

"The Japanese have tried to show the truth in a dignified way, with that natural restraint of theirs, by rather cold statements and declarations which have had very little effect against the insidious fabrications playing on British sympathy.

"What about looking into these news reports with a more critical eye?

"These news reports certainly were shocking news!

"Some of them were really too melodramatic to be true.

"Some reports were proved to be downright fabrications.

"Many were found to be hysterical flights of imagination; others, sensational sob-stuff.

"But the impression was created that the Japanese were a 'heinous gang of bloodthirsty villains'.

"You wouldn't like to be called that, would you?

"Neither do the Japanese."

HOW PRETTILY worded. What a picture of injured innocence. What a story of good intentions misunderstood.

But please, dear reader (to continue in the strain of the opening paragraphs) do not be misled. Our pen, try as it might, could not pen these quoted words.

Actually, the one responsible is our old friend the Japanese spokesman again, and this time he has burst into print on his own account with a little booklet—so neatly printed—entitled "How About Giving Japan Fair Play?"

The Japanese, as we have remarked on many occasions before, are indeed a remarkable people.

And this publication is just another example of the strange workings of the Japanese mind.

That a few honeyed words backed up by some pictures of smiling Japanese soldiers could never wipe out the feeling of revulsion which swept the world as the result of Japan's merciless invasion of China and the nameless horrors to which the Chinese civilians were submitted by the aggressors, is so obvious that to any straight-thinking person the publication of a booklet such as this is merely a waste of time and money.

But in addition to that, our friend the spokesman is treading on dangerous ground when he asks us "to look into these news reports with a more critical eye."

History has moved fast in the past 10 months; the incidents of yesterday are dimmed by news of the happenings of today.

A DISCERNING eye cast back over the course of the hostilities would undoubtedly find many an untold story of wanton destruction, of rape, murder and looting.

And how flattered the Chinese must feel to be termed "those masters of propaganda." Really the Chinese authorities feel fortunate indeed that they have been spared the expense of an extensive propaganda department, hitherto considered an essential adjunct to modern warfare.

China has no need for propaganda—the story of her cause and plight has been sufficiently clear to tell itself.

On the other hand the Japanese have been driven frantic by the cold reception the world has given their tales of how their only motive in invading China has been to show their "friendliness."

No comment is needed upon the sentence "The Japanese have tried to show the truth in a dignified way, with that natural restraint of theirs."

The world is too well aware of the "natural restraint" of the

FIVE TIMES CHAMPION



Miss Lau Woon-to

Miss Lau Woon-to, the young daughter of Mr. Lau King-tang, was the most successful swimmer Saturday when St. John Ambulance Brigade and Association held their annual Flag Day. She collected \$415.40.

This was the fifth occasion on which Miss Lau has taken part in street sales of flowers or flags in the cause of charity and on each occasion she returned the largest amount.

In 1935, on behalf of the Tung Yee Tong, she collected \$443.55. The following year she collected \$128.56 for the Confucian Society, \$200.34 for the Tung Wah Hospital and \$828 for the Tung Yee Tong.

Miss Lau is also a very keen swimmer and last year won the 200 metres breast stroke open to Chinese scholars in the Colony.

CHINESE COTTON MILL OWNERS ARE ANXIOUS

Concern Felt For Future Of Plants

Shanghai, May 9.

Chinese cotton mill owners are anxious about the future of their plants at Yangtsepo, in the Hongkew district, which may be taken over by the Japanese.

The mills suspended operations during the war, and now efforts to send men to repair and inspect the premises are being made by the Japanese military authorities, who ask the Chinese owners to get in touch with a Japanese merchant, known as Mr. Toyoda.

It is feared that Japanese cotton mills will merge with the Chinese cotton mills, there being keen competition among them before the 'China Incident'—(International).

Japanese and the "dignified way" in which they express themselves.

It would take columns to adequately discuss this booklet but one passage simply invites quoting.

"TREATING peaceful Chinese inhabitants with kindness and consideration, giving them food and supplying them with other necessary provisions, Japanese soldiers are striving to lessen the sufferings of these unfortunates resulting from the present hostilities."

"The Chinese peasant, after the first moments of fear, finds that under the khaki uniform beats a Japanese peasant's heart, as simple and warm as his own."

"Together they gather in the neglected crops of North China. Hungry children go to their 'big brother' for rice and sweets, and they laugh together. Old farmers smile when the weary boys thank them in quaint Chinese for a refreshing bowl of hot tea, just as their own would do."

We can almost imagine the kind-hearted Japanese soldiers weaving daisy chains and beating their bayonets into scythes. Almost? Well, not quite.

"The Japanese do not like being called 'a heinous gang of blood-thirsty villains,' points out our friend the spokesman. We can quite understand his perturbation; it is not exactly a term of endearment."

But then the Chinese did not ask the Japanese to invade their country, they did not invite them to burn their homes, lay waste their fields, they did not seek to have their children murdered, their womenfolk raped.

Bloodthirsty villains? Oh, no. The Japanese are China's friends."

QUESTIONS IN COMMONS

British Claims For Compensation In Shanghai

London, May 9.

In the House of Commons today, in reply to a question by Sir J. S. Wardlaw-Milne (Con.), in regard to Britons' claim for compensation for damage to their property in Shanghai and how long they would have to wait before receiving compensation, Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, replied that Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, British Ambassador to China, has been instructed to forward claims to Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Japan, in final form for presentation to the Japanese Government as and when he received them.

Mr. Butler was unable to answer the second part of the question.

Asked if the Japanese are creating any machinery in connection with the payments, Mr. Butler said that he was unable to answer for the Japanese Government.

Mr. Acland asked why the Burgos Government should be asked to pay at the conclusion of hostilities and the Japanese Government during the hostilities.

Mr. Butler replied that that was no invariable practice.

CUSTOMS AGREEMENT

After Mr. R. A. Butler, Under-Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, in the House of Commons, had given the gist of the Chinese Customs arrangements between Mr. Koki Hirota, Japanese Foreign Minister, and Sir Robert Craigie, British Ambassador to Tokyo, as explained by the Premier, Mr. Chamberlain, on May 4, Mr. Will Thorne (Labour, Plaisow) asked if this did not deprive the Chinese Government of revenue.

Mr. Butler replied that he required notice of the question. He confirmed that the Chinese Government were aware of the terms of the agreement.

RECENT INCIDENT

Mr. Arthur Henderson asked what steps were being taken with a view to preventing repetition of recent incidents in Shanghai between Japanese troops and British services.

Mr. Butler replied that incidents of this kind were always liable to occur in conditions ruling in the Shanghai area. The British Government is doing its utmost by negotiation and remonstrance to avoid recurrence of such incidents.—(Reuter).

SPANISH WAR FRONT

Republicans Occupy Enemy Positions

Madrid, May 9.

The Republican war bulletin issued last night states that the Republicans occupied several enemy positions north of Cueva yaterday, capturing much war material and a large number of prisoners.

The enemy counter-attacks in the Morilla sector were repulsed. A Nationalist aeroplane was shot down and was destroyed by fire within the Republican lines. The pilot was killed.—(Transocean).

NEWSPAPER WORKERS RETURNING

Nanchang, May 9.

A group of Chinese newspapermen from Kwangtung and Hongkong, who have just completed an inspection trip to the war front, left here for Chansha on their way back to Canton today.

The group, headed by Messrs. Hu Chin-wu and Liu Ying, are expected to arrive in Canton on May 13.

While in Kiangsi, the group made a number of calls on the local authorities.—(Central News).

DORADO LEAVES

The Imperial Airways plane, Dorado, left for Bangkok yesterday at 6.10 a.m. with one passenger for London and two for Bangkok and 188.586 kilos of mail.

Husband—When will you stop trying to drive the car from the back seat? Wife—When you stop trying to cook the dinner from the dining-room table.

BATHING SEASON HERE



Picture taken at the opening of the Chung Sing Bathing Society bathing shed on Sunday afternoon at Kennedy Town. (Photo, Kwong Lam Studio)

DELIBERATE ATTACKS ON BRITISH SHIPS

IN SPANISH PORTS

London, May 9.

The captains of fourteen British steamers at present in Spain have telegraphed to the Foreign Minister, Lord Halifax, that attacks on British ships in Spanish ports by insurgent planes are quite deliberate.

Recently, the Foreign Minister declared that there was no evidence to show that bombing of British ships in Valencia was deliberate, but the captains denied this, and said that the raids were ruthless and deliberate. One ship is at present in a sinking condition as the result of bombing.

A British destroyer rushed to the assistance of the British vessel pursued by two insurgent armed trawlers off Gibraltar. At the appearance of the British warship the armed trawlers made off.—(Reuter Bulletin).

JAPANESE SHIP SHELLS BOCCA TIGRIS

Canton, May 9.

A telephonic message from Bocca Tigris states that two Japanese destroyers and one destroyer steamed near the fort at 6 p.m. and the destroyer shelled the Chinese positions ashore.

More than fifty shells were fired but most of them landed in the sea.

Apart from keeping a strict watch on the movements of the invading vessels, the Chinese defence authorities did not reply to the Japanese gunfire.

All three Japanese warships steamed away at 7 p.m.—(Central News).

MIAO TRIBESMEN IN PATRIOTIC DRIVE

Kweiyang, May 9.

Between 20,000 and 30,000 Miao tribesmen have arrived here to participate in the patriotic publicity campaign launched under the auspices of the Political Affairs Department of the Military Headquarters in Hankow.

Clad in their native costumes, playing their native musical instruments and dancing to primitive measures, they present an interesting scene.—(Central News).

GERMAN SALUTE PROSECUTED

Prague, May 9.

Several persons were arrested at Troppau yesterday for having greeted each other with the "German salute."

Another incident occurred yesterday evening in Prague, where a German chauffeur was assailed by Czechs for speaking German. He was injured in the face.—(Transocean).

CONNECTING SIBERIA WITH OUTER MONGOLIA

Shanghai, May 9.

The Paris Midi reports that the Soviet Government has decided to execute the plans of constructing railways to connect Siberia with Outer Mongolia, which has been pending since the Czarist regime.

The first railway will connect Irkutsk with Ulan Bator, provincial capital of Outer Mongolia.

The construction of the railway has great military and economic significance.

The new line is intended for use in making a foothold for ultimate gaining an access to the Gulf of Chihli.—(International).

GAS MASKS FOR CHINESE TROOPS

JAPAN WAR OFFICE EMBARRASSED

Hankow, May 9.

Chinese reports stated today that gas masks are to be distributed shortly to Chinese troops at the Shantung front following receipt of intelligence reports that the enemy may resort to gas warfare.

One dispatch stated that two battalions of chemical units recently arrived at Tsingtao from Japan and are being shifted to the Tancheng and Linyi sectors in south-east Shantung.

Mr. Wang Wei-min, President of the Executive Council of the Peking regime, who is in Tokyo, has urged the Japanese to use every effort to force through the Tientsin-Pukow Railway from Hanchow to Hsuehchow in the north and Pengpu to Hsuehchow from the south, as he has been promised the premiership of the combined Peiping and Nanking regimes.

A report from Japan stated that the War Office is much embarrassed by the long delay and costly sacrifice in men and money in the Shantung campaigns.

The Cabinet, political parties and Prince Kimmochi Saloni, the elder statesman were assured early this year by the military party that the fighting in Shantung could be successfully and quickly liquidated.—(International).

PEACE CORPS TURN AGAINST JAPANESE

Hankow, May 9.

Meagre reports reaching here from Tientsin today state that several hundred members of the Chinese peace preservation corps at Tangku, Koku and Tientshin on the Hailuo have suddenly rebelled against the bogus east Hopte autonomous government on May 8.

Serious clashes are said to have broken out between these corps and the Japanese forces within the territory of the east Hopte regime.—(Central News).

CHINESE CHECK ADVANCE ON HOPEI

Hofei, May 9.

Striking back at the advancing invaders, the Chinese forces have removed the Japanese threat on Hofei by retaking Hsiaochoen, ten kilometres north of Tsaohsien, today.

Hsiaochoen is the second important town on the Tsahsien-Hofei highway recaptured by the Chinese forces in two days.

The other strategic point, Tokao, about five kilometres northeast of Hsiaochoen, was retaken from the Japanese yesterday.—(Central News).

SABOTAGE CAUSES SOVIET PLAN FAILURE

Moscow, May 9.

Sabotage and wreckings in the chemical industry caused the failure of the entire 1937 Plan declared M. I. M. Kaganovich, Commissar for Heavy Industry.

M. Kaganovich added that more wreckers and spies were found in this industry than in any other in the Soviet Union owing to vital part it played in the nation's defence.—(Reuter).

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE

WHITE ANT EXTERMINATION.

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NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that LEO LANDAU of No. 4, Shouson Hill Road, Shouson Hill, in the Colony of Hong Kong is applying to the Governor for naturalization and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary Hong Kong.

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CHINA UNDERWRITERS, LIMITED.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Fourteenth Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of China Underwriters, Limited, will be held at the Offices of the Company, 4A, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Monday, the 16th day of May, 1938, at noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1937, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books and Register of Members of the Company will be closed from the 9th May, 1938, to the 16th May, 1938, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

HERBERT R. STURT,

Managing Director,

Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1938.

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MARRIAGES

HARRIS—DIERCKING.—On April 30, 1938, at H.B.M. Consulate-General, Shanghai, Frank Douglas Harris, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Harris, of Ashford, Kent, to Elsie Mildred, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Diercking of Shanghai.

WALTER—KLUKIN.—The marriage was solemnized at St. Nicolas Russian Orthodox Church, Shanghai, on May 1, 1938 between Valery C. Walter and Vera A. Klukin.

DEATHS

LIU.—On Monday, May 2, 1938, at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, Mr. C. F. (Burma) Liu, aged 53 years, the dear-beloved husband of Mrs. Dorothy Liu.

FALKINE, KATHERINE.—On May 2, 1938, aged 34 years, dearly beloved sister of Stella Falkine.

SILVA.—On May 3, 1938, at the General Hospital, Shanghai, Frederic Edmunds da Silva, aged 63 years, beloved husband of Mary da Silva and father of Rosie, Marie, Joe, Fred, Olga and Julia da Silva.

PACIFIC ISLES DISPUTE

Joint Jurisdiction Now Agreed

Washington, May 9.

It is understood that the terms of the Anglo-American agreement providing joint jurisdiction over the disputed Pacific Islands of Canton and Enderby will be announced shortly.

According to the New York Times, the negotiations will be extended to cover the Antarctic regions where huge areas are at present in friendly dispute between the two countries.—(Reuter).

WEST RIVER TRAGEDY

Efforts To Retrieve General's Body

Canton, May 9.

Efforts to retrieve the body of General Chen Tse-shing, who was drowned near Samshul on May 6, are being continued.

Ten other persons, including members of his family and his subordinates, were also drowned. The party met tragedy when on their way here by boat from Teh-hing, on the West River in western Kwangtung. When the vessel reached Samshul, it collided with a steam launch and capsized, throwing the passengers overboard. Their bodies were washed away by a strong current.—(Central News).

BUDGET DEFICIT IN U.S. FORESEEN

Washington, May 9.

The Budget will have a deficit of approximately \$74,000,000 for the fiscal year 1939 if President Roosevelt's "Spend for Recovery" programme is fully carried out, according to estimates made for Congress by the acting Budget Director, Mr. Daniel Bells.—(Reuter).

MUSSOLINI WILL REVEAL RESULTS OF TALKS WITH HITLER

Italy To Support German Action In Central Europe DUCE AGAINST WAR

Rome, May 9.
German and Italian circles here declare that the Rome-Berlin axis has been reaffirmed and upon a stronger basis as a result of the conversations between Signor Benito Mussolini and Herr Adolf Hitler. It is stated that the real significance of the understanding will be revealed on May 14 when Signor Mussolini will speak at Genoa. He is then expected to give an important definition of Italian policy.

It is understood that Italy has not entered into any closer military commitments towards Germany and a military alliance is said to be out of the question.

But it is believed that Signor Mussolini has promised diplomatic support to Germany in her attempt to secure revision of the status of the Sudeten Germans in Czechoslovakia, though at the same time he is understood to have urged Herr Hitler to do his utmost to prevent war.

It is presumed that Herr Hitler spoke of Germany's colonial claims but the official silence in this matter is regarded as indicating Signor Mussolini's determination to maintain good Anglo-Italian relations and in no way disturb British opinion.

ITALY'S INTEREST

Italians deny that Signor Mussolini has abandoned the nation's interests in Central Europe in favour of Germany in exchange for a free hand in the Mediterranean and the Red Sea.

Signor Virginio Gayda, writing in the Voce d'Italia, says Italy has accepted the Anschluss because she considers it a natural accompaniment of an inevitable historical process of German unification. Italy does not demand anything by way of compensation. He adds that the Anglo-Italian agreement can be harmonised with Italy-German solidarity.

FASCIST YOUTH DISPLAY

Herr Hitler is going to Florence by train this morning after a dramatic farewell party in Rome last night.

Hitler and Mussolini, with an audience of 100,000, gathered in the open air stadium at the Mussolini Forum for a display of drill and gymnastics by Fascist youths, which was followed by a performance of the second act of the opera "Dohengrin."

Four thousand performers participated in the display, and 4,000 trumpeters were ranged in front of the dictators' box.

All lights were blacked out, and then the words "Heil Hitler" sprang into light in huge letters across the arena.

Hitler arose and saluted while Mussolini smiled approvingly, and then the lights formed the letter M and the Fascist emblem. Mussolini rose and saluted while Hitler clapped.

Afterwards they drove to a villa on the hillside and watched a fireworks show and a display of illuminated boats on the Tiber. Hitler and Mussolini are due at Florence at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and Hitler will entrain for Germany at midnight. (Reuter.)

NATIONALITIES STATUTE IS REJECTED

Prague, May 9.

The Nationalities' Statute, drawn up by the Czechoslovakian Government, is rejected by the paper Dzenek Polska, the organ of the Poles, living in Czechoslovakia.

Characterising the Statute as entirely inadequate, the paper says that the Polish Nationality group would not cease pointing to the injustice inflicted upon the Polish minority. (Transocean.)

KING TO TOUR R.A.F. STATIONS

London, May 9.

The King is making a tour of R.A.F. stations today to study the progress of the air force. Leaving in the morning in the blue Royal plane, the King successively inspected Northolt, near London, Fighter Command, the Bomber Command at Berkhamstead and the Training Command at Wilshire.

Later, His Majesty will fly to Portsmouth to inspect the Coastal Command at Thornby Island. (Reuter Bulletin.)

HITLER SEES ITALIAN AIR GAMES

Rome, May 9.

The great manoeuvres of the Italian air arm that was to have taken place on Saturday in honour of the German Fuehrer and Reich-Chancellor Adolf Hitler, who is likewise the supreme commander in chief of the German Wehrmacht, had to be postponed because of unpropitious weather and began on Sunday morning on the Mediterranean coast between Santa Marinella and Ladispoli.

The manoeuvres, in which no fewer than 400 of the fastest and most modern aeroplanes of the Italian air arm took part, were carried out precisely as if war conditions prevailed.

MASS ATTACK

The aim of the mass attack of the Italian air arm was to conduct an action against troops, convoys at the sea, munition depots and defence works, an industrial area close to the coast and warships at sea.

The second part of the exercises showed daring air acrobatics of the best Italian pilots. In all these actions the latest types of aeroplanes were used.

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Anti-War Japanese Arrested

Hankow, May 9.

Further arrests of Japanese nationals, suspected of being engaged in anti-war activities, have been carried out by Japanese gendarmes and plainclothes men in the Sun Sun, Great Eastern, Oriental and Asia Hotels in the International Settlement in Shanghai during the past few days.

Over 10 Japanese have been arrested and are now being detained in the Japanese Gendarmes Headquarters.

It is learned that these Japanese nationals belong to the Japanese Anti-War League. (Central News.)

STRIKE SETTLED

Paris, May 9.

The shipping strike has been settled. (Reuter.)

Heroic Chinese Defence Of Yangkiashan

NEARLY WHOLE REGIMENT SLAIN IN DAY-LONG BATTLE

Fanchang, May 9.

The epic defence of Yangkiashan, an important hill north of Wuhang along the Nanking-Hangchow highway, by a lone Chinese regiment against fierce Japanese onslaughts is revealed in belated reports reaching here today.

It is entirely due to the gallantry and courage of this regiment, which was reduced to only over 100 men when fresh reinforcements arrived to relieve them, that Yangkiashan remained in Chinese hands and a subsequent success, in which 700 Japanese were slain, was made possible.

This regiment, commanded by Colonel Chu, captured Yangkiashan on May 2 and, anticipating a Japanese counter-attack, at once began defence works at the foot of the hills.

The next day, a strong force of Japanese, numbering 300 strong, launched a furious attack with artillery and tanks. Fighting resolutely behind inadequate defence erections, the Chinese regiment lost heavily.

Confessing every inch of the ground as the Japanese pressure increased, the Chinese yielded the foot of the hills but bravely clung on to the hill top.

During the fierce encounter which lasted from morning till night on May 3, the regiment lost two company commanders and seven adjutants.

When the Japanese were finally routed, the only survivors of the regiment was Colonel Chu, two company commanders and about 100 men. (Central News.)

Chungking Inferno

10,000 RENDERED HOMELESS BY GREAT FIRE

Chungking, May 9.

More than 7,000 houses along the bank, near the Linkangmen Gate, were gutted by a huge fire yesterday morning, rendering over 10,000 people homeless and destitute.

Eight persons were trapped in the blaze and burned to death, while over 10 women and children are missing. Damage to property is estimated at above \$1,000,000.

Over 100 firemen were injured and slightly burned while fighting the flames and four fire engines were damaged.

The fire, the greatest since 1928, raged for seven full hours, sweeping over half a mile and affecting 37 streets. It was fanned by a strong wind. (Central News.)

SELF-GOVERNMENT

Demand By Hungarian Minorities

Prague, May 9.

A demand for self-government is now made by the Hungarian minority in Czechoslovakia, where there are 800,000 Hungarians who are asking for greater representation in State and municipal affairs.

They have also demanded the free importation of Hungarian newspapers. (Reuter Bulletin.)

JAPANESE ARMY TO EXTEND USE OF CHEMICALS

Hankow, May 9.

The Japanese army is prepared to extend the use of chemicals in their present aggressive campaign in China, according to a report received here from a reliable source today.

Two chemical corps, it is said, have been sent to the south Shantung front and will shortly engage in extensive operations against the Chinese forces.

These two battalions, according to the report, constitute part of a newly formed independent mechanized unit under the command of Lt.-General Motoma, and had left Kobe for Tientsin on April 19.

Another newly formed mechanized unit, under the command of Maj.-General Kikuchi, is also to include a chemical corps.

Hitherto the Japanese use of chemicals on the various fronts has been only on a limited scale, causing minor damage to the Chinese troops.

It is believed that the Japanese will resort to more extensive use of gas, the report adds. (Central News.)

TROUBLE FEARED IN SHANGHAI

JAPANESE TAKE PRECAUTIONS

Hankow, May 9.

Considerable apprehension of untoward incidents during the "trouble month" of May is being felt by the Japanese authorities in Shanghai, according to a message received here.

Since May 1, strict precautions have been taken by the Japanese in Pootung, Nantao, and the western districts of Shanghai.

In Pootung, sentries are posted at various important points along the Whangpoo River and the Japanese force there has been reinforced by 600 men.

Units of the "Great Way Government" police are patrolling the streets in Pootung, searching all suspected persons.

A blockade has been enforced in the western districts of Shanghai since May 4. The area around the railroad, including Jessfield, Brennan, Great Western and Hungjiao Roads, is closed to traffic. Even vegetable and food hawkers are prohibited from passing in or out.

Machine-guns have been placed in position at various points along the railway near Great Western and Hungjiao Roads, creating rather tense situation. (Central News.)

Many wounded Japanese on battlefields on the south Shantung front committed hari kari to avoid being taken prisoners when approached by the Chinese, a Chinese staff officer informed the Central News war correspondent today.

This was due to the threatened death penalty to any Japanese captive returning home after the war, he said.

Referring to the morale of the Chinese soldiers, he asserted that there had been so far no case of desertion on the south Shantung front and all of them fought with sheer determination and gallantry.

Many slightly wounded Chinese soldiers, he added, refused to be taken to hospital whilst other wounded soldiers asked to be allowed to return to the fighting lines as soon as they had recovered. (Central News.)

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CHINA'S REQUEST TO LEAGUE FOR HELP

BRITAIN'S SUPPORT DEMANDED

Manchester, May 9.

"Chinese week" ended yesterday with mass meetings which were addressed by Miss Chu Chen-koo, daughter of Dr. Wellington Koo, Chinese Ambassador in Paris, Professor S. I. Hsuing, noted Chinese author who adapted "Lady Precious Stream" into English, Mr. H. J. Timperley, China correspondent of the Manchester Guardian.

Resolutions were passed drawing attention to the damage to British prestige in the Far East through the British Government's failure to resist Japanese aggression, and demanding that Britain support the request for help, which the Chinese delegates will address to the League Council this week. (Reuter.)

APPEAL TO COUNCIL

Hankow, May 9.

The influential Ta Kung Pao, in a leader on today's meeting of the Council of the League of Nations, appealed to the Council to "reaffirm its past resolutions denouncing Japanese aggression and advocating non-recognition of armed occupation of Chinese territory."

It also appealed to members of the League to carry out the resolution of the Assembly undertaking to give China material assistance in her struggle against Japan.

The Ta Kung Pao suggests that the League send a delegation to China to "investigate Japanese atrocities such as the massacre of civilians, rape of women and also the alleged intention of the Japanese to use poison gas on an unprecedented scale in the near future."

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State Functions Planned For King George's Paris Visit

London, May 9.

The official programme of His Majesty King George VI's state visit to Paris from June 23 to July 1 shows that the Monarch and his Queen will be received by M. and Madame Albert Lebrun at the railway station and will drive in state to the Quai d'Orsay Palace, where the King and Queen will stay.

They will pay an official call upon the President of France and then the King will receive the diplomats.

Later Their Majesties will attend a banquet at the Elysee, followed by a reception.

The King will lay a wreath on the tomb of the Unknown Warrior on the morning of June 29 and Their Majesties will attend a reception and visit the exhibition of British paintings at the Louvre, a garden party, dine at the British Embassy and see a gala performance at the Opera.

On June 30 His Majesty will witness a military display and with the Queen will lunch in the Chateau de Versailles. They will dine at the French Foreign Office, where a reception will be held.

The King will unveil the Australian National War Memorial at Villers-Bretonneux on July 1 before he and the Queen return to London. (Reuter.)

The demand for francs, however, continues to be well in evidence and the French authorities have further replenished their holdings in foreign currencies.

Well-informed circles have noted with interest the fact that the French control is preventing any further appreciation of the spot franc. It is pointed out that the continuance of the recent rate of improvement, while tending to eliminate the advantages arising from devaluation, would also render currency vulnerable to renewed speculative pressure.

Meanwhile, the prevailing uncertainty surrounding the future of other European currencies, especially the Belgas, is reflected in the gold market where nearly £1,000,000 again changed hands at fixing. French reselling helped to meet the demand to the extent of £250,000 with the authorities supplying the balance. (Reuter.)

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COMMUNIST SPY RING ALLEGED

Shanghai, May 9.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Asahi Shimbun reports the discovery of a Communist espionage plot in Shanghai. Soviet and Chinese Communists are participating in the spy ring, the object being to disturb the situation in Shanghai.

Eighteen Soviet nationals and several Chinese spies are said to have been arrested by the Japanese authorities in the Hongkew district. Those arrested are reported to have smuggled themselves into Hongkew under instructions from the National Government to disturb the Japanese rear.

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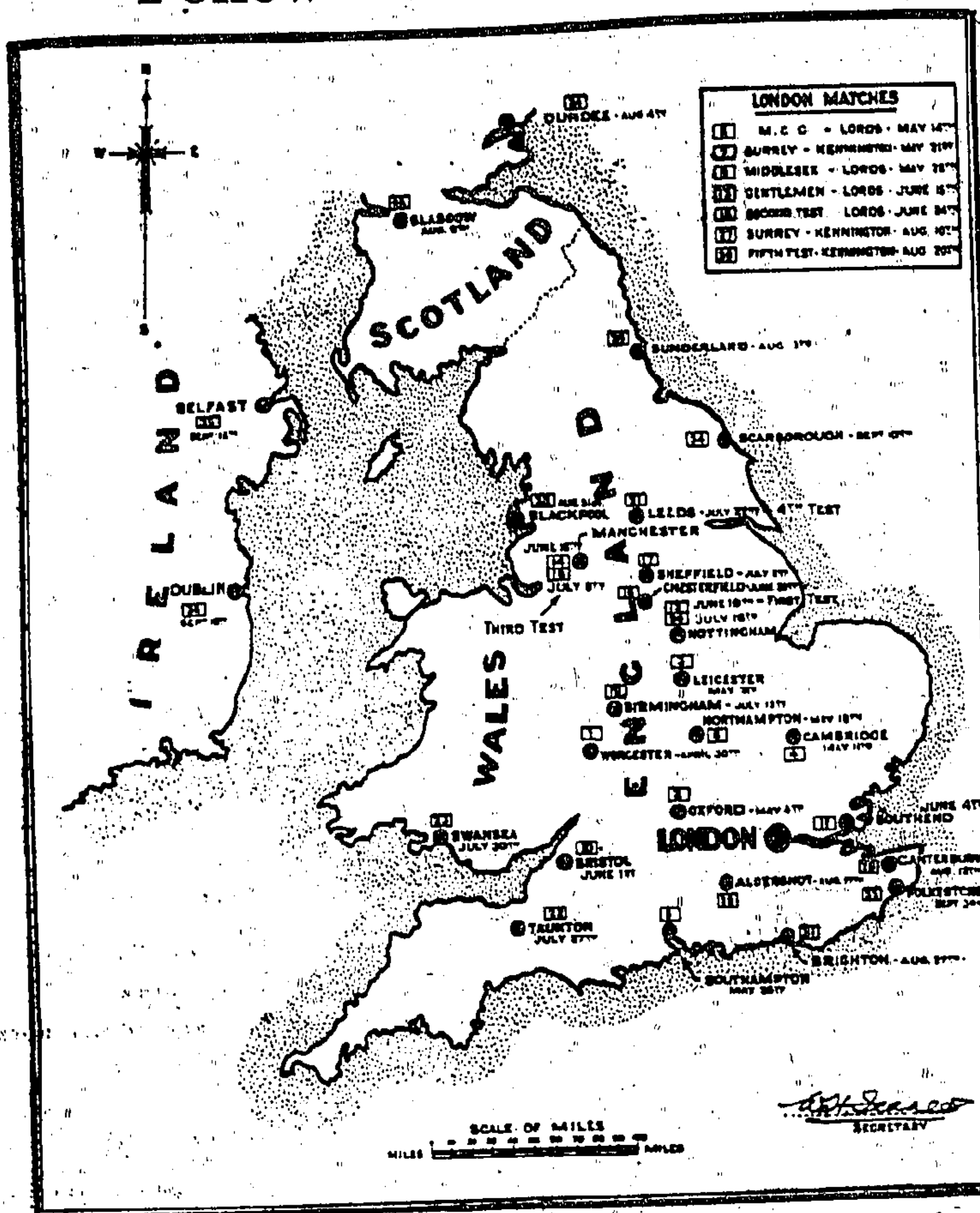
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RUMJAHNS SHOULD RETAIN TENNIS TITLE TODAY

Follow The Test Tour



FROM THIS MAP cricket enthusiasts will have no difficulty in following the programme of matches to be played by the Australian test team during its visit to the British Isles. Every game of the tour is shown. The map was prepared by the Australian manager (Mr. W. H. Jeanes).

Five-Set Final With Tsui Brothers?

PROSPECTS OF TODAY'S MATCH DISCUSSED

By F. Melu

At the time of writing prospects do not appear to be too rosy for the final of the open tennis (doubles) championship between S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn, more popularly known as "The Cousins" and Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui, or "The Brothers," on the Stand Court at the Hong Kong Cricket Club this afternoon.

Hong Kong weather being what it is, however, it will not be at all surprising if we have a perfectly bright and sunny day for it, and if the Clerk of the Weather should so decide to favour tennis fans, a first class match should be seen.

MAKE SO BOLD AS TO PREDICT A WIN FOR THE RUMJAHNS IN FIVE SETS.

All the four players concerned are in the best of form at the moment and curiously enough it was this four that figured in the semi-finals of the singles. Tsui Wai-pui beat S. A. Rumjahn and then went on to wrest the title from H. D. who had scored a somewhat surprising win over the younger Tsui.

FIRST WIN IN 1935

The Rumjahns won their first doubles title in 1935 and they kept this till 1936 when the Tsuis broke their long string of successes.



S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn—favoured to retain their title today.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

New York, May 9.

The following are the results of baseball games played here yesterday:

NATIONAL LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
New York	4	8	0
Chicago	2	9	0

(Melvin Ott homered twice for the Giants).

	R.	H.	E.
Boston	1	7	1
Pittsburgh	2	10	1

(Todd homered for the Pirates).

	R.	H.	E.
Philadelphia	2	5	2
Cincinnati	0	8	0

(Walker pitched for the Phillies).

	R.	H.	E.
Brooklyn	2	8	3
St. Louis	4	14	3

(Miser homered twice for the Cardinals).

AMERICAN LEAGUE

	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	3	10	2
New York	7	8	2

(Gehrig, Henrich and DiMaggio homered for the Yankees).

	R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	0	3	2
Boston	5	5	0

(Wilson pitched and Cronin homered for the Red Sox).

	R.	H.	E.
Detroit	6	9	1
Philadelphia	7	15	0

(Greenberg homered once and Gehring twice for the Tigers, and Werber homered once for the Athletics).

	R.	H.	E.
St. Louis	7	11	3
Washington	9	12	0

(West homered for the Browns, and Travis for the Senators). (Reuter).

ALL ROUND MUNICH WALKING RACE

Munich, May 9.

The British Olympic champion, Harold Whitlock, who at the Olympic Games held in Berlin in 1936 won the 50 kilometres walking contest, finished fourth in the 25 kilometres "all round Munich" walking race yesterday.

The winner was the Berlin athlete, Fritz Helweis, who covered the distance in 2 hours and 25 seconds. Peters (Berlin) was second and Pizle (Mittenwald) third. (Transocean).

DAVIS CUP

YUGOSLAVIA WINS

Zagreb, May 8. Yugoslavia defeated Czechoslovakia by three matches to two in the first round of the European Zone Davis Cup competition, winning the last match by default.

There was a dispute in the final match of the rubber. Cejnar, of Czechoslovakia playing in the last singles said the light was too bad, and that he could not see. The other side disagreed and he abandoned his match to Mitic, his opponent. (Reuter).

HENKEL DEFEATED

Wiesbaden, May 8. In the final of the men's singles in the Wiesbaden Tournament, O. Anderson, of the United States, surprisingly beat Henkel, the German Davis Cup player, by 6-1, 3-6, 6-4, 8-4. (Reuter).

BELGIUM THROUGH

Athens, May 8. After a two-nil lead the Belgian Davis Cup team eliminated Greece by winning the doubles yesterday.

The Belgians, La Croix and De Bormann, defeated the Greeks, Stalos and Michaelides, by 6-2, 6-1, 6-1.

Belgium will now meet India. (Transocean).

ARMY TENNIS POSTPONED

Two matches in the Army Tennis League were scheduled to be decided yesterday but these were postponed owing to the rain. The matches concerned were those between 40th Coy R.E. and 22nd Coy. R.E. and Royal Scots "A" Coy v. R.A.S.C.

WOMEN'S COMPETITIONS

Wiesbaden, May 8. The first women's singles was won by Miss Marie-Luise Horn against Miss Totil Zenden by 6-0, 6-1.

In the women's doubles, the Americans Wheeler and Coates defeated Zenden and Bollet in the semi-finals 10-8, 6-3, and won again in the finals against the Viennese pair, Wolf and Kraus, 2-6, 6-3, 6-4.

HENNER-METAKA DEFEAT NELSON-ANDERSON

The German Davis Cup Men's Double team, Henkel and Metaka, were in best form on Sunday at the Wiesbaden tennis tournament when they defeated the American pair, Anderson and Nelson, in the finals by 6-1, 6-3. (Transocean).

Sporting Fixtures

TODAY

MEETINGS.—Kowloon Chess Club at Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

TABLE TENNIS.—Cheero Club Table Tennis.

TENNIS.—Colony Doubles Championship Final, Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yan-pui v. S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn (Stand Court), 4 p.m.

TOMORROW

MEETING.—Annual of Hong Kong Polo Club, Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. Board Room, 5.15 p.m.

SHOOTING.—Hong Kong Rifle Association Weekly Spoon and Practice Shoot, Army Ranges, Kowloon City, 2 p.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 12

RACING.—Entries close for the Hong Kong Jockey Club Fifth Extra Race Meeting, at 12 o'clock noon.

FRIDAY, MAY 13

BADMINTON.—Y.M.C.A. Badminton in the West Lounge, 8.30 a.m.; Cathedral Hall Badminton, 8 p.m.

MACAO GOVERNOR ATTENDS SCHOOL SPORTS

Drill Display By Students

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Macao, May 8.

The annual school sports of the Liceu Infante D. Henrique, held at the Canidrome stadium yesterday afternoon, were witnessed by a huge crowd of spectators, which included H. E. the Governor of Macao, Dr. Artur Tamagnini de Sousa Barbosa.

A feature of the meeting was the massed physical drill by boys and girls of the school, directed by Lt. J. Montalvo e Silva.

No records were established, but the winners of one or two events proved deserving of special notice.

Following were the results:

HIGH JUMP.—1. Julio Montalvo e Silva, Jr.; 2. Alexandrino Goncalves. Height: 1.50 metres.

30-METRE EGG AND SPOON RACE.—1. Alida E. Banto; 2. Noemia Luiz.



GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS of the boy and girl students who took part in the annual school sports of the Liceu Infante D. Henrique at Macao.

30-METRE SACK RACE.—1. Alberto d'Almeida; 2. Arnaldo da Silva.

SHOT-PUT.—1. Manuel Ferreira; 2. Verissimo de Rosario. Distance: 12 metres.

SKIPPING RACE.—1. Maria de L. Gorgulho; 2. Elzinda M. de Carvalho.

100-METRE DASH.—1. Alexandrino Goncalves; 2. Joao Nolasco da Silva. Time: 9-1/5 seconds.

300-METRE SPRINT.—1. Rigoberto do Rosario; 2. Americo da Silva. Time: 37-4/5 seconds.

THREE-LEGGED RACE.—1. Jose do Rosario and Arnaldo da Silva; 2. Alberto d'Almeida and Jorge Ramos.

DISCUS THROW.—1. Verissimo do Rosario; 2. Manuel Ferreira. Distance: 25.10 metres.

200-METRE RELAY.—1. Second Year; 2. First Year. Time: 32 seconds.

150-METRE SPRINT.—1. Alexandrino Goncalves; Joao Nolasco da Silva. Time: 17-1/5.

BICYCLE SLOW-RACE.—1. Fernando Jorge; 2. Humberto Rodrigues.

HOP, STEP AND JUMP.—1. Rigoberto do Rosario; 2. J. Montalvo e Silva, Jr. Distance: 11.08 metres.

400-METRE RELAY.—1. Fifth Year; 2. Third Year. Time: 51 seconds.

TUG-OF-WAR.—1. Fifth Year; 2. Sixth Year.

50-METRE RACE (Under 14).—1. Joao do Rosario; 2. Jorge Ramos. Time: 7-2/5 seconds.

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In consequence thereof General Average has been declared.

Consignees are requested to sign Lloyd's General Average Bond before Bills of Lading can be countersigned for delivery of cargo.

No General Average Deposit has yet been declared, and in the meantime Lloyd's General Average Bond must be accompanied by a Bond signed by the Underwriters interested in the cargo.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 31st inst. or they will not be recognized. Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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LORD MITCHELL DIES AT A MEETING

Lord Macgregor Mitchell, K.C., Lord Rector of St. Andrew's University, Scotland, died suddenly while presiding at a University Court meeting recently. He was 63 years old.

He is the third rector of a Scottish University to die within the past year, before the ceremony of installation. The others were: The Marquess Macdonell, whom Lord Macgregor Mitchell succeeded at St. Andrew's, and Canon H.R.L. Sheppard, Rector of Glasgow University.

Lord Macgregor Mitchell was about to open the session of the Court when he collapsed. Medical members of the Court ran to his assistance, but he died in a few moments.

Lord Macgregor Mitchell, who, from 1923 to 1924, Liberal M.P. for the Perth Division, was the son of a Perth solicitor. He practised for some time as a solicitor, being called to the Scottish Bar in 1914. He was made a K.C. in 1924.

AUSTRALIA

V.L.R.—Wave Length, 31.24 metres Power, 1 Kilowatt; Frequency, 9.58 megacycles

12.30 p.m. Midday News Bulletin.
12.45. "At Home And Abroad"—"The Watchman" 1. Time Signal. Interstate Weather Forecast, Market Reports, etc. 1.10. Interlude.
1.15. Recital On The Hammond Organ by Desmond Tanner. 1.30. Recorded Music. 2. Afternoon Musical Programme. 3. Broadcasts to Schools—"Everyday Science and Nature Study" by Mr. P. J. Wolfe. 3.15. Musical Programme—continued. 5. Close. 6.30. "At Home And Abroad"—"The Watchman". 6.45. Sporting News and Notes. 7. Markets and Weather for North Australia. 7.20. Overseas News Service. 7.25. Commentary on Overseas News. 7.30. Australian News. 7.40. "The News Behind The News"—"The Watchman" 8. Recital by Alexander Kipnis—Famous Russian Ballads. 8.50. Topical Talk. 9. Drama Week Play. 10. Harry Bloom's Band. 10.30. Late News. 10.50. Dance Band—contd. 11. Recorded Feature. 11.30. Close.

Since 1934 he has been chairman of the Scottish Land Court.

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HONG KONG

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THE B.B.C. RECORDING OF "MONSIEUR BEAUCAIRE"
London Relay.

12 to 12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 p.m. Songs by Percy Hemmings (Baritone).
Hatfield Bells (Easthope Martin).
Crown Of The Year (Easthope Martin). (a) Fairings; (b) Come To The Fair. ("Songs of the Fair"—Easthope Martin) (c) Jock The Fiddler; (d) The Ballad-Monger ("Songs of the Fair"—Easthope Martin).

12.44 p.m. Compositions of Sir Edward German.
"Merrie England"—Selection—New Symphony Orchestra cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargent. "Henry VIII" Dances Shepherd's Dance Morris Dance Torch Dance—New Symphony Orchestra, cond. by Dr. Malcolm Sargent.

1 p.m. Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m. New Dance Records.
Fox-Trot—The Popcorn Man (Will Hudson) Reckless Night On Board An Ocean Liner (R. Scott).—Ray Ventura and His Collegians. Have You Got Any Castles, Baby? (From "Varsity Show") I Double Dare You (Shand and Eaton).—Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

1.15 p.m. Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather, Forecast and Announcements.

1.25 p.m. Musical Comedy Selections.
Musical Comedy Marches—Light Opera Company. Gems From "No, No, Nanette" (Vincent Youmans). Gems From "Rose-Marie" (R. Friml).—Light Opera Company.

1.40 p.m. Rotary Tiffin Speech relayed from the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.

2.15 p.m. Close Down.

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First-hand accounts by Prisoners of War. "Through the Camp Sewer." A talk by Ernest Pearce.

9.30 p.m. London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m. B.B.C. Recording—"Monsieur Beaucaire."

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† LISBON MARU Middle of June

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* m.v. "NEPTUNA" 21st May at Night

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RAMO MARU 28th May

ATSUTA MARU 25th June

VIZAGAPATAM via Straits, Cochin, Madras and ports.

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Co. (Tel. 34155).Newchwang, British, 1,486 reg.
tons. Capt. Cregg, from Canton,
at buoy No. B1—B. and S. (Tel.
30331).Rantan Pandjang, Dutch, 1,561
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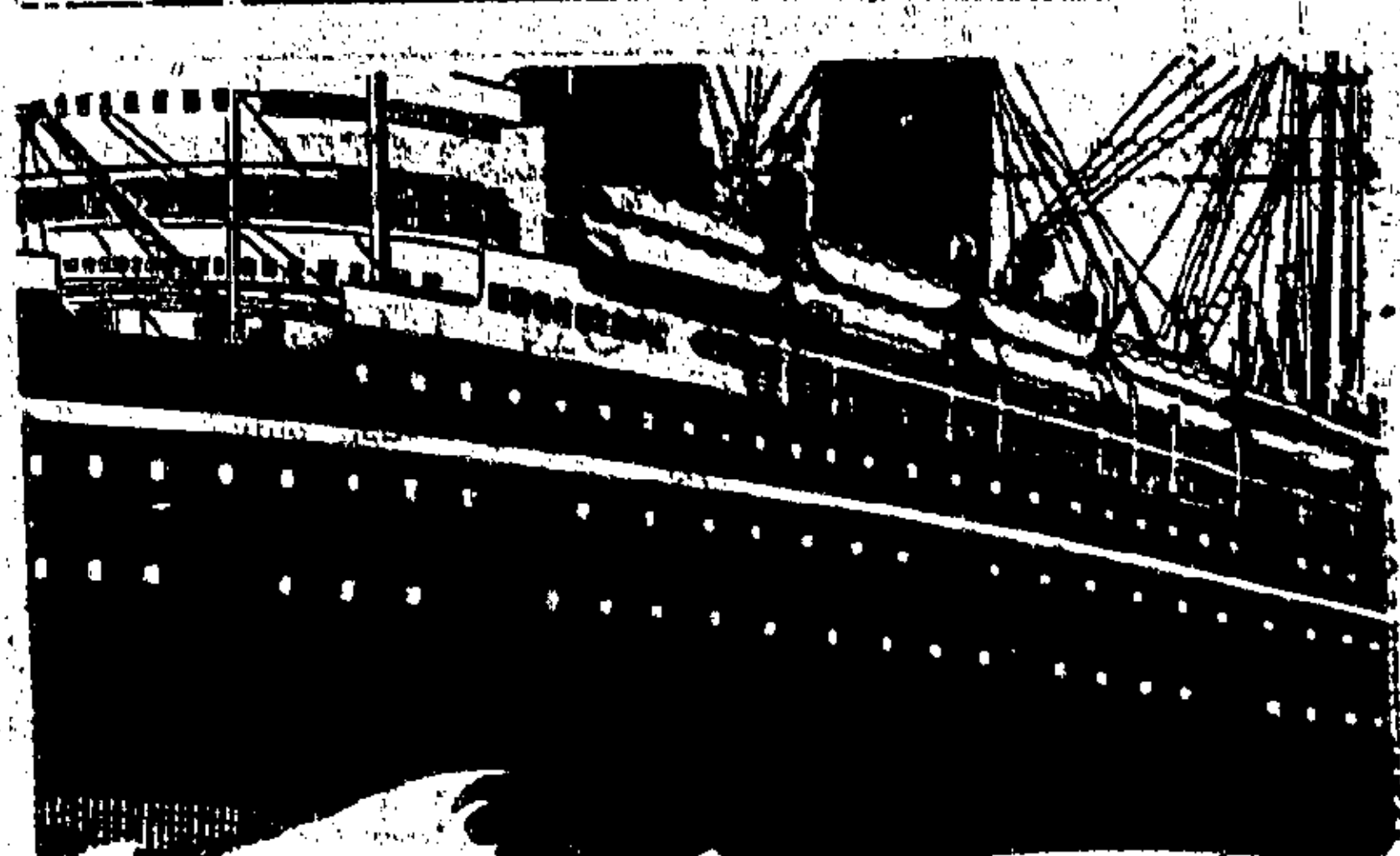
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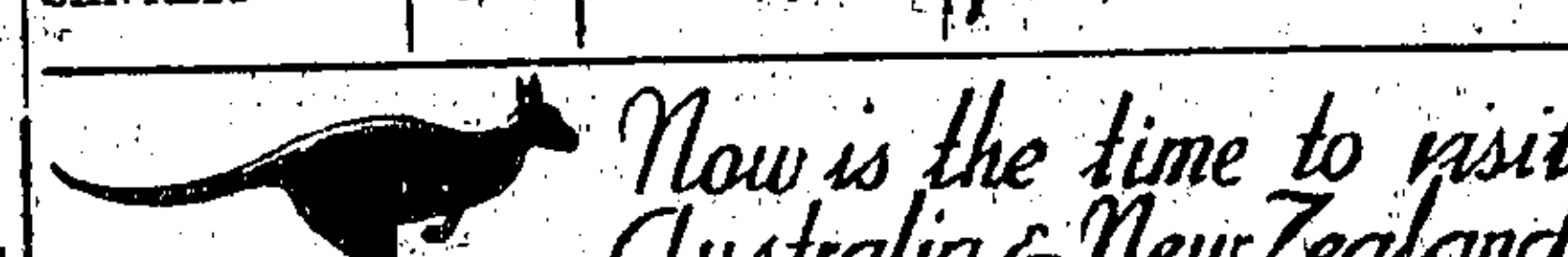
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SHIRALA	8,000	26th May	Shanghai & Japan
NANKIN	7,000	4th June	Shanghai & Japan
*SOMALI	6,000	9th June	Shanghai & Japan
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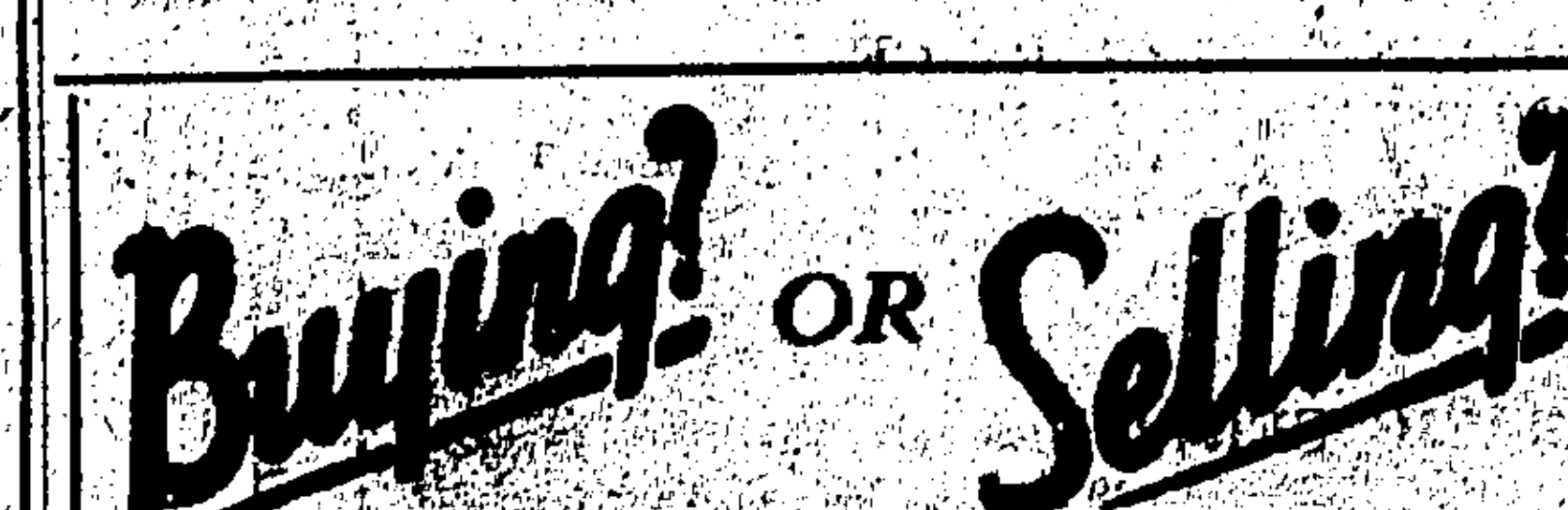
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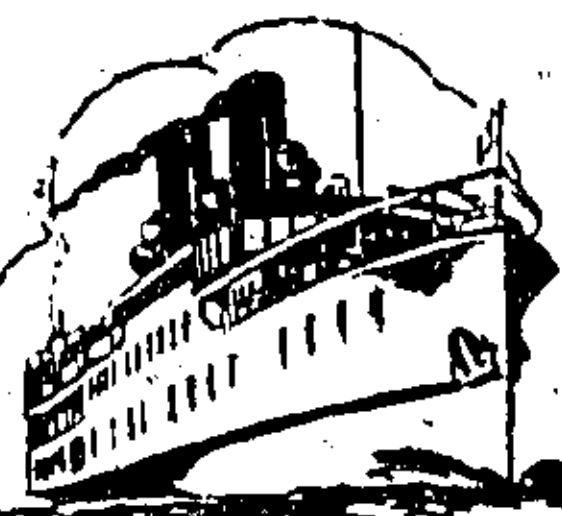
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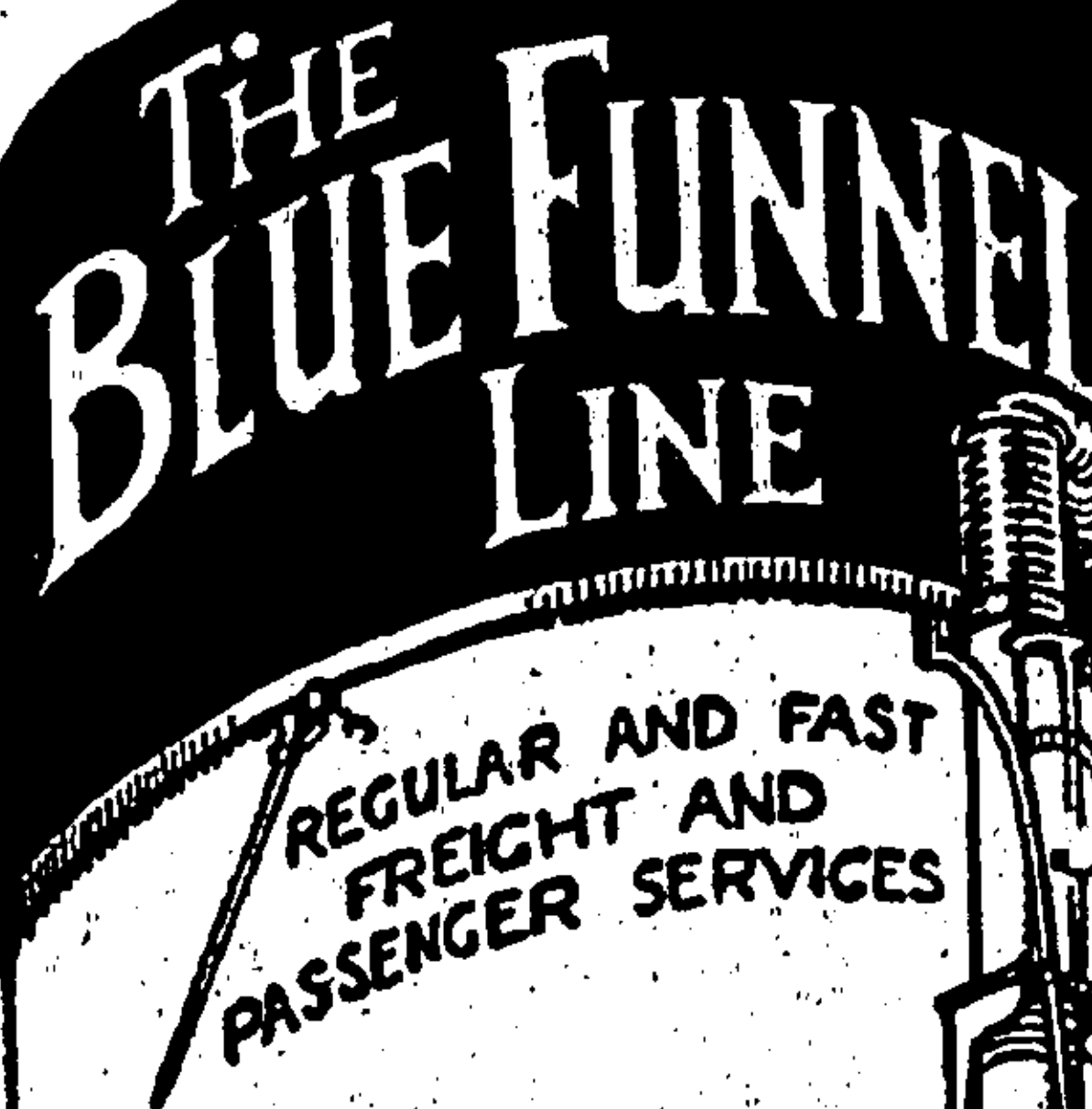
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HOME CRICKET

LUNCH SCORES

London, May 9.
The lunch scores of cricket matches played today are as follows:—
Gloucestershire 389 v. Derbyshire 93 for 1.
Hampshire 277 v. Lancashire 235 for 2.
Kent 227 for 4 v. Essex 450.
Leicestershire 212 v. Australians 410 for 4.
Middlesex 283 v. Warwickshire 58 for 3.
Northamptonshire 154 v. Nottinghamshire 244 for 9.
Oxford University 97 for 3 v. Yorkshire 420.
Surrey 379 for 6 v. Somersetshire 128.
Worcestershire 286 v. Sussex 77 and 131 for 3.—(Reuter Bulletin).

BRITISH SHIP LOST IN ATLANTIC

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Agents of the owners at Panama have been endeavouring to get into touch with her by wireless through the Miami and Porto Rico stations.

The last message from the Anglo Australian's wireless operator stated that the vessel had passed Fayal, in the Azores.

"We are frankly puzzled by the absence of news," said W. U. Smith, general manager of Lawther, Latta and Co., managers of Nitrate Producers' Steamship company, the owners.

ON ORDINARY TRACK

"She is a comparatively new ship, only 11 years old, and we have every confidence in Capt. Parslow, who is an old servant of the company."

"There may have been bad weather but she is on the ordinary track of ships, and one would expect that she would be able to get in touch with some other vessel if she were in distress."

"Naturally we are worried and fear that she has met with some mishap."

Because of the break-up of ice-fields, and the southerly drift of bergs, trans-Atlantic liners are now following the longer southern route between New York and England this entailing three hours' steaming.

The Anglo Australian was quoted at 20 guineas per cent. in the reinsurance market at Lloyd's last month as an "overdue."

JAPAN INTENDS TO COLONISE EAST CHINA

Shanghai, May 9.
Japan will send 1,000,000 emigrants to Shanghai, Hangchow and Nanking, to colonise east China and to relieve the problem of surplus population in Japan.

These emigrants are asked to grow food for the Japanese army and to watch the movements of Chinese guerrillas and agents.

Already one thousand Formosan farmers have arrived in Shanghai, and an official of the Formosa Agricultural Station has brought with him various seeds for experimentation in this area.

Schools and hospitals will also be established for these emigrants and their families.—(International).

GIRL STUDENT LEAVES HOME FOR FRONT

Canton, May 9.

Fired by patriotism, Miss Leung Wei-tien, a young girl in Shunchei, south of here, has run away from home to serve at the front.

The girl, a middle school student, had asked her parents' permission to participate in work at the front many times since the outbreak of the hostilities, but her request was each time refused.

She suddenly disappeared on May 1, leaving a letter to her parents that she has left for the front.—(Central News).

MORE PROTESTANT PASTORS ARRESTED IN GERMANY

Berlin, May 9.

Five more Protestant pastors were arrested in Germany during the past week making a total of eleven.

Pastor Niemoller is stated to be still in a concentration camp in solitary confinement.—(Reuter Bulletin).

WORTHY CHAMPIONS



Picture taken at Soekunppo on Saturday after the football match between South China "B" (Champions of the Senior League) and the Rest. South China won 3-1. Mrs. M. K. Lo is shown presenting the season's trophies. (Photo, Kwong Lam Studio).

EUGENICS LEAGUE

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Professor Gerrard said that he was sure that if the support of medical practitioners could be obtained the League would be successful in its work.

Mrs. Hole suggested that the League co-operate with the St. John Ambulance Brigade. This was agreed to by the chairman who said that he thought that Mrs. Hole's suggestion was a very sound one.

Dr. Arthur Woo and Dr. Kirk said they agreed with Professor Gerrard's suggestion and as far as they were concerned they would give every possible support they could.

JAPANESE SHOW SIGNS OF EXHAUSTION

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On the main line of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway, Chinese troops are storming Hangchow, while the south gate of Lincheng, north of Hangchow, was rushed through by the advancing Chinese forces. Street fighting ensued for an hour until the Japanese made a concerted effort to repulse the Chinese forces.

Heavy fighting raged north of Pilsien and south-east of Talerchwang, while the enemy at Tancheng, east of Talerchwang, is now enveloped by the Chinese.—(International).

PUSH TO HSUCHOW

Anking, May 9.
To co-ordinate the push from Tancheng to Hanchow, Japanese forces are advancing northward on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway from Pengpu and Kwaiyuan on the banks of the Hwai River.

In an effort to divert Chinese attention, some Japanese units are pushing along the Hwai River Railway from Chaochien to Hefei, but the real move is to reach the Lungshai Railway by the Tientsin-Pukow line.

Chinese forces are holding up the advance by attacking the enemy from the rear in Tingyuan and Pengyang south of Pengpu.—(International).

RUMJAHNS SHOULD RETAIN TENNIS TITLE

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champion, "Wal-pui" is easily 15 better than any other player in Hong Kong today but, good though his partner is, I do not think they will be able to break down the understanding between the Indians—an understanding that has been built over a period of some fourteen years of constantly playing together.

"SIDRA'S" OVERHEAD SHOTS

A good deal will depend on Sidra. His overhead shots are inclined to be weak at times but if he does not fail in this department of the game I think they will retain the title.

H. D. Rumjahn, to my mind, is still the best doubles player in the Colony today. He is always so cool and deliberate about his shots. He asks for no quarter and gives none.

AND THE TSUN?

Of the Tsus there is little to be said except that here we have two players who are always at their best when playing a winning game. For this reason it will not do for the Rumjahns to let them take the first set. The elder Tsu is ever-dependable and if young "Yan-pui" does not let himself be over-awed by the occasion an excellent five-set final should be seen.

LATEST DERBY CALL-OVER

London, May 9.

The latest call-over for the Derby, to the run at Epsom on June 2, is as follows:—

Pasch 2-10; 85 to 40; Port Marnock 7 to 10; Scottish Union 11 to 10; Gold Sovereign 100 to 7; Pound Foolish 15 to 1; and Glenloan 100 to 6; Mirza 20 to 1.—(Reuter).

FRANCO-BELGIAN NEGOTIATIONS

Questions Raised By
Franc Devaluation.

Brussels, May 9.
The Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Spaak, and the Economics Minister departed today for Paris to negotiate with the French Government on matters raised by the devaluation of the French Franc.

The two Ministers were accompanied by a special emissary of the Council for Franco-Belgian Economic Relations and one member of the Belgian Foreign Office.

It is stated here that the Belgian Minister had a talk on Sunday night with the French Foreign Minister, M. Bonnet, prior to the latter's departure for Geneva. In authoritative Belgian circles it is emphasised that devaluation of the Belgian Franc is not to be expected.—(Transocean).

WARRANT FOR ARREST OF ARCHDUKE FELIX

Vienna, May 9.

A warrant on the charge of theft, has been issued for the arrest of Archduke Felix, brother of Archduke Otto of Hapsburg.

It is stated that he crossed the frontier of Austria with two hundred pounds of table silver.—(Reuter Bulletin).

FOREIGN MAILS

Air mail letters may be posted in the ordinary posting boxes. They should be clearly marked "By Air Mail" and bear sufficient postage. Insufficiently prepaid letters may be taxed with double the deficiency or forwarded by Steamer Service, at the discretion of the Post Office.

Air Mail Services to Shanghai, Nanking, Tientsin, Tientsin and Peking are temporarily suspended.

Letters and Postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded "via Siberia" if so superscribed.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Straits	Bontekoe	10th May
Calcutta and Straits	Sirdhans	10th May
Australia and Manila	Talping	10th May
Japan	Tango Maru	10th May
Haiphong, Fakhof and Echow	Sochow	10th May
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 5th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	11th May
Saloon	Pres. Doumer	11th May
Japan	Toba Maru	11th May
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers) London, 14th April and London Parcels—London date, 7th April.	Carthage	11th May
Japan	Suisang	11th May
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 15th April)	Pres. Harrison	11th May
Manila	Emp. of Russia	11th May
Straits	Burdwan	11th May
Shanghai and Swatow	Ninghai	11th May
Shanghai	Tyndarus	12th May
Japan and Shanghai	Felix Roussel	12th May
Manila	Gneisenau	12th May
Straits and Manila	Memnon	12th May
Japan and Shanghai	Corfu	12th May
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	12th May
Air Mail by "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 4th May	Pan-American Airways Plane	13th May
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 8th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	13th May
Shanghai and Swatow	Shantung	13th May
Japan	Kutsang	13th May
Shanghai	Glenclie	14th May
Straits and Manila	Conte	14th May
Calcutta and Straits	Biancamano	14th May
	Hosang	16th May

OUTWARD MAILS

REGISTERED AND PARCEL MAILS are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m., registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time
TUESDAY		
Samshut and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Tuesday, 10th 8.15 AM
Manila, Makasser and Sourabaya	Tjisadane	8.00 AM
Kongmoon	On Lee	10.00 AM
Straits	Tango Maru	3.30 PM
WEDNESDAY		
Air Mail for Wuchow, Kwelyang and Chungking by the "C.N.A.C. Airways Direct Service."	C.N.A.C. Plane	Reg. 10th 5.00 PM Ord. 1st 6.00 AM G.P.O. Reg. 10th 5.0 PM Ord. 1st 6.00 AM
Samshut and Wuchow	Kongning	Wed. 11th 8.15 AM
Amoy and Shanghai	Taiyuan	8.30 AM
Kongmoon	Pook On	10.00 AM
Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Doumer	10.30 AM
Haiphong	Kalgan	Noon
Japan	Tajami	1.30 PM
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Seistan	3.00 PM
"Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin"	Taksang	3.30 PM
Sandakan	Hinsang	5.00 PM
Air Mail for Sian, Lanchow and Chengtu, etc. (via Hankow) by the "Eurasia Airways Service" (To further points by surface transport as Services permit).	Eurasia Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 4.30 PM Ord. 5.0 PM 5.00 PM
Manila	Pres. Harrison	5.00 PM
THURSDAY		
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	Thursday, 12th 10.00 AM
Shanghai and Japan	Carthage	10.30 AM
Saloon, Ceylon, India, East & South Africa, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 8th June.	Felix Roussel	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 1.15 PM Ord. 2.30 PM
Airmail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 19th May.	Imperial Airways Plane	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 3.50 PM Ord. 5.0 PM
FRIDAY		
Shanghai and Japan	Gneisenau	Friday, 13th 8.30 AM
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. & S. America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. (Parcels for Canada only)—due Vancouver B.C. 30th May and Europe via Siberia.	Emp. of Russia	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 1.15 PM Ord. 2.30 PM
Swatow and Shanghai	Kwangtung	10.30 AM
"Swatow, Foochow and Tientsin"	Yochow	12.30 PM
Swatow, Shanghai and Tientsin	Kwalsang	12.30 PM
SATURDAY		
Airmail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu, and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 21st May.	Pan-American Airways Plane	Reg. 12th 5.0 PM Ord. 1st 6.00 AM G.P.O. Reg. 12th 5.0 PM Ord. 1st 6.00 AM
Shanghai	Conte	Saturday, 14th 9.30 AM
Air Mail for "K.L.M. Airways Direct Service"—due Amsterdam, 24th May.	Corfu	G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 8.20 AM Ord. 10.0 AM G.P.O. & K.P.O. Reg. 1.15 PM Ord. 2.30 PM
Straits, Ceylon, India, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 10th June.	Corfu	Reg. 1.15 PM Ord. 2.30 PM
Straits and Calcutta	Kutsang	Ord. Noon

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